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FORWARD!

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We are assembled today for the eighteenth General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association in the twenty-seventh year of its organization. In our immediate memory lies our Silver Jubilee, that great anniversary which we celebrated so fittingly in Toronto just two years ago. It was a week replete with inspiration, idealism and high endeavour. May we at this time enshrine it in our minds and hearts, that we may renew all that was promised by thought and word on that splendid occasion. That Jubilee is past and the next is in the future. The present is our concern.

The Canadian Nurses Association has many remarkable achievements to its credit in the comparatively few years of its existence, not the least of which is the *Survey of Nursing Education in Canada* and the publication of its report in 1932. The President of that year, in an exceptionally thoughtful address entitled "Whither?", described the report as "the chart and compass to direct us to the promised land" and the promised land as "professional emancipation". Four years have passed since that address was given, four years in which we have had for our use this chart and compass. Is it possible that we may now justly claim some progress and may legitimately cry "Forward!" in the belief that our destination is clear, our plans fairly laid and at least a few of the guide posts placed along the way? To answer the question we must search for signs of progress. Such signs have been described as "the will to know the truth, the sense to face it squarely and the courage to take action to correct what is amiss." Are these to be found?

The major issues with which we are faced at this time may be stated quite briefly: on the one hand, the preparation of the nurse for community service and on the other, the organization of nursing services through which the community may be served. All our problems fall rather naturally within one or other of these groups. When they have been worked out to the mutual satisfaction of ourselves and the community, then the nursing profession will have fulfilled its destiny, that destiny which was envisioned by our predecessors who, long ago, laid so well and so truly the foundations on which we are privileged to build. We shall then, in truth, give to the health of the people, regardless of all else than the need, the skilled care of which we and we alone are capable.

The Preparation of the Nurse

At this meeting the product of more than four years of serious thought, meticulous care and arduous labour, will be presented to you in the form of the Curriculum for Canadian Nursing Schools, prepared by a special committee representative of all groups and under the leadership of the Nursing Education Section. The committee makes no claim for perfection in the result of its efforts. Rather

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the Curriculum is offered for critical examination, not so much now, as two years, perhaps four years or even more from now, when there has been ample time to give it a fair trial and prepare for constructive criticism of it. As you read and study it you will note with interest the linking up of preparation and service, in the strong emphasis which has been placed throughout on the positive aspects of health, on the function of the nurse as a health teacher and on the varied phases of community adjustment. We cannot say that the work of the committee is finished. A curriculum is never finished. It is not a static but a living, growing thing which must be constantly in the process of revision if it is to meet the need of this ever-changing world. The committee would, without doubt, wish you to keep this in mind. To the members of the committee and particularly to the convener, the Association acknowledges a deep debt of gratitude for their work and for the beginning which has been made toward meeting a need long felt in the schools of nursing.

There is other evidence, too, of educational progress. Many of the smaller hospitals have closed their schools. In one province three out of a total of fourteen schools or 21.4 per cent have closed voluntarily since the beginning of 1936, although the legislation which would have made such closing compulsory was rescinded a year ago. This voluntary action was a much greater tribute to the efforts of nursing education than compelled action would have been. In this particular province the smallest hospital now conducting a school has a bed capacity of sixty-five. In another, legislation sets the standard at one hundred beds. The number of students graduated has been slightly reduced but probably not in proportion to the over-production problem, a problem which has many ramifications and which admits of much debate in the light of present community organization. That there is no need for a further supply of nurses with mediocre professional preparation is, however, freely admitted.

Inspection of nursing schools has been given constructive thought in provinces where this essential service has been long delayed. An official, aptly termed a nursing school adviser, has recently been appointed in one province, plans for similar action are well under way in another and temporary arrangements for inspection are in effect in at least two others. This will add strength to the schools in projected undertakings.

Another fact which should be noted is the marked increase in the use of graduate nurses for general hospital duty. This is strikingly evident in all parts of Canada. Whole sections of large hospitals are in some cases staffed with graduates, while in others the entire service is strengthened by their use in strategic places.

A new curriculum, some reduction in schools and students, more adequate supervision, an increase in graduate service — these are indications of progress.

Organization of Community Services

The organization of services through which the community may be served is a gigantic problem. We made a move toward its solution at our last General Meeting in the experiment which was undertaken in community nursing service bureaux. The subject is of such importance that it has been given a special place on the programme of this meeting, with almost a full session allotted to its consideration. There can be no doubt as to the existence of the need. The *Survey* report emphasizes it again and again. The figures as given must be repeated here even at the risk of wearying you; less than 38 per cent, or only three out of eight, of the sick in Canada who need skilled nursing care, are able to obtain it and 46 per cent of the entire population is now served by 95 per cent of the mem-

bers of our profession. These figures cannot be too often repeated. Until there is a change in the situation it must be kept prominently before us. What can be done about it? Should we wait abjectly for some State-controlled plan? Or may we perhaps work at it as we wait? In 1934 the president of this Association suggested that we "let down our line in the deep waters of experimentation" and that we "break up the problem into small geographical areas and through experimental effort deduce certain facts as to what is best." The bureaux experiment was proposed. Under our own control it would provide all types of service, both graduate and subsidiary, with bedside care on a visit, an hourly or a daily basis and with workers employed on a monthly salary. After two years of effort, very sane practical reports are available from some of the provinces. One fact which we must face is that the general public is awake to its nursing needs. Said a well-known medical practitioner: "The nursing of the sick in the homes in rural communities is being done by the neighbours, not by nurses." Can we refute this statement? Early in this year, in a city in Saskatchewan, a layman attempted to organize a bedside nursing service through a type of lottery or sweepstake. For membership in his scheme he promised graduate nurses on salary, with all travelling expenses paid, for cases in any part of a huge province. He found many young nurses ready and willing to sign up with him and not a little public support! So you see that if we cannot soon meet the situation, the situation will be met for us and in all likelihood, not to our satisfaction. We have no greater problem than this — the organization of community nursing services. "Care for the sick," enjoined St. Paul to untrained, voluntary workers in the early days of the Christian era. Must this necessity be urged upon us after decades of preparation for it? We know the truth. Have we faced the problem squarely and with courage attempted to solve it? Can we report progress? Only when experiments have been honestly undertaken, not once but many times.

Our Professional Responsibilities

As well as responsibilities to the student and to the public there are certain matters within our own organization which might also serve as a gauge of progress. The appointment of a full-time editor and business manager for our journal, *The Canadian Nurse*, early in 1933, has been amply justified and the *Journal* today is in a highly satisfactory condition, with operating deficits so greatly reduced as to be almost negligible, with the largest circulation in its history and with recognition coming to it from the public press and from other professional journals. We await the announcement of the final results of the 1935-36 circulation campaign which it is hoped will indicate not only an increase in subscriptions but also in live interest in the *Journal*. It must be stated that the campaign brought forcibly to light the perpetual problem of non-renewals; the Editor calls them "the little foxes which eat the vines." If we could retain all the subscribers we list, we should soon have an operating surplus. Your continuous support of the *Journal* is urged, not on any basis of sentiment but strictly for its real value to you in your professional life.

We have kept faith, too, with the International Florence Nightingale Memorial Foundation. This year our third scholarship student will enrol at Bedford College in London, England, and for the third time our contribution will go forward to the endowment fund. These achievements are regarded with considerable satisfaction. Our Association was honoured, indeed, when Miss E. Kathleen Russell, director of the School of Nursing of the University of Toronto, was chosen by the Foundation to direct the study of facilities for nursing education

now existing in London. The study was undertaken on the recommendation of this Association, made in 1934, repeated in 1935 and in the same year made by the American Nurses Association. The report of the study will influence to a degree the plans for further courses to be given through the Foundation. The study, it is understood, has been completed. We are justly proud of our contribution to it — the services of an able Canadian nurse.

Dominion Registration is our most recent project and is one of the matters which will be presented for consideration at this meeting. It is a matter which has long been in mind, one which was strongly recommended in the *Survey* report and now considered to be timely. The committee has made an exhaustive study of it from every angle and not only has a tentative plan to present to you at this time, but has already submitted that plan to the Provincial Associations for study and, through the *Journal*, to you all for the same purpose. The very fact that an apparently feasible plan has been evolved indicates progress.

It is neither possible nor necessary to outline the activities of the numerous committees. They will report to you in due course. Comment on the work of the Exchange of Nurses Committee, however, seems justified. Through this committee are offered unique experience opportunities which must be of particular interest to young nurses of adventurous spirit. Remarkable work has been carried on for several years in arranging for Canadian nurses to exchange positions with those from other countries for varying periods of time. We have had nurses from England, from France, from Iceland, from South Rhodesia and only recently, from South Africa. Our nurses in most cases have taken their places. Two Canadians are now in South Africa. What a rare experience for them, even as it is for those who come to us. The arrangements made appear to give satisfaction to all concerned: "My time in Canada was the best I ever had anywhere," writes the nurse from Iceland. Our nurses are equally enthusiastic on their return from other lands. When the activities of the committee are generally known, there will undoubtedly be more requests for exchange than can easily be handled. Surely this is a gesture toward international friendliness.

So, in closing, we return to the query expressed in the beginning. Signs of progress? "The will to know the truth, the sense to face it squarely, the courage to take action." They are all here: better preparation for our own group, a true realization of community responsibility and the beginning of an effort to meet it, a fine spirit in relation to our obligations.

Yes, we may cry "Forward" if, as we do, we renew and increase our united and constructive efforts toward the goal. Courage, the last in the list of progress signs, must be our watchword. We have it but we must use it, for in use lies the secret of its preservation. Courage, Sir James Barrie says, is "the lovely virtue and goes all the way."

WE COME OF AGE

The title of this descriptive article has not been lightly chosen: we speak here of the eighteenth General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association held from June 29 to July 4, in Vancouver, British Columbia. It has been claimed, and justly, at each successive meeting: "This is the best we have ever held." In other words, there has been such steady progress through the years that, at each Biennial Meeting, we have been able to look back and to see how far we have come. At this meeting, however, there was something new in the air: there was that sense of balance, cool judgment and common sense which comes only with maturity. *As an Association, we have come of age.*

The Issues

There were several factors which contributed to this end. Two extremely important issues came up for consideration: the proposed curriculum for schools of nursing in Canada and the plan for Dominion registration. It was upon these reports and upon their far-reaching implications, that the deliberations of the meeting were centred. In successive issues of the *Journal* further details will be given concerning the official action taken by the Association in regard to them. All that will be done here is to mention the fine spirit in which their recommendations were debated and to record the high appreciation accorded to the two women under whose leadership these reports were prepared. Marion Lindeburgh must have felt that her magnificent contribution to nursing education in Canada has received the recognition it so richly deserves. Edith MacPherson Dickson was accorded the highest praise for her pioneer work in connection with Dominion registration. It must have been a profound satisfaction to both women to know that, thanks to their intelligence and skill, the issues (some of which were frankly controversial) were so ably and so fairly presented for discussion.

The quality of the debate was extremely good, but the ability of the presiding officer was extraordinary. As president of the Canadian Nurses Association, Ruby M. Simpson, O.B.E., gave a practical demonstration of what can be accomplished when issues of great importance are ably discussed under leadership of a very high order. Through six exact-

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ing and difficult days she maintained her courtesy, firmness, and sense of humour. No matter how hot the debate, her fairness and impartiality were never in question. Her poise and dignity graced every social occasion and, in a word, she measured up to the requirements of the responsible position she holds.

Attendance

Every province in the Dominion was represented and every branch of nursing service was represented in full force. A specially pleasing feature was the atten-

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dance of a large number of student nurses. The actual registration was approximately seven hundred and the attendance outran even this figure. As usual, the section meetings were packed and the only complaint was that these were held concurrently and attendance at all three was therefore impossible.

British Columbia's Welcome

Too much praise cannot be given to the local committee on arrangements. Under the able leadership of Miss Kathleen Sanderson, ably seconded by Miss Cora Trethewey, the programme was carried on with that deceptive ease which masks effort of the sternest kind. The authorities of the Vancouver General Hospital and of St. Paul's Hospital dispensed gracious hospitality. The dinner given by the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia in honour of the members of the executive committee of the Canadian Nurses Association was a delightfully informal occasion. Even the inevitable banquet turned out to be refreshing to the soul as well as to the body, thanks to Professor Dilworth's happy excursion into the realms of poetry. Seldom have we seen so intent an audience—or heard such exquisite interpretation.

Nor were official greetings lacking in cordiality. Our own Dr. Weir represented the Government of the Province of British Columbia. His Worship the Mayor of Vancouver, Mr. Gerald McGeer, M.P., took time from his multifarious duties to greet us in his own inimitable fashion. Dr. R. H. Milburn represented the provincial medical association and Dean Turnbull spoke for the University of British Columbia. Last, but not least, Miss Grace M. Fairley, president of the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia, bade us a hearty welcome. Her grace and charm went far to promote the spirit of happiness and mutual understanding so characteristic of this Biennial Meeting.

The note for the entire week was struck, for many of us, on the Sunday evening preceding it. A special service was held in Christ Church Cathedral at which a most inspiring sermon was preached by Dean Armitage. The benediction was given by the Bishop of New Westminster, the Reverend A. U. de Pencier, who within the last few days has lost, by death, his devoted and noble wife. Our respectful sympathy is extended to him in this sore bereavement.

Vancouver's Jubilee

The official celebration of the fiftieth birthday of the City of Vancouver synchronized with our meetings. There was therefore an atmosphere of gaiety, flags flying, bands playing, fountains throwing themselves into the cool, sparkling air. There was a lovely spontaneity about the whole thing that somehow rang true. The city was at its best — what more can one say? Yet one word must be said: *the flowers*. Fresh every morning they came, all dewy from the gardens where they grew. Roses and honeysuckle and syringa, magically replenished, thanks to nurses

whom one never saw or had an opportunity to thank. But we do thank them—and we thank Vancouver, too.

An Eventful Session

The opening session was full of interest for many reasons. It was upon that occasion that Dr. George M. Weir spoke of "The state of things to come in nursing." Here is what we may look forward to in 1950 if we are worthy of our destiny:

Many more public health nurses in outlying districts where there is a dire need for their services.

Every province divided into health districts chosen for economic and geographic advantages.

Nursing registries, enlarged and controlled chiefly by the Canadian Nurses Association, with the health departments of the Provinces exerting advisory influence.

School teachers, trained as nurses, giving instruction and teaching avoidance of communicable diseases.

More assumption of the responsibility for the training of the nurses by the State.

More careful selection of nurses from the point of view of personality, training, character, intelligence and vocational tendencies.

A much greater degree of socialization and development of initiative.

Communities trained to meet requirements of nurses and vice-versa.

Dominion leadership in an educational and advisory capacity, with federal grants and aid given conditionally.

The climax of the evening was reached when the awards of the Mary Agnes Snively Memorial Medals were made. Edith MacPherson Dickson was present to receive, in person, this well-deserved recognition of her life-work. Beautifully gowned, she presented a delightful picture and was given a rousing reception by the audience as she advanced toward the President of the Canadian Nurses Association who conferred upon her the highest honour within the gift of our national Association. Medals were also presented *in absentia* to Mabel F. Hersey, O.B.E., and Jean I. Gunn, O.B.E. Miss Hersey was represented by Miss E. Allder and Miss Gunn by Miss Nettie Fidler both of whom made graceful acknowledgment on behalf of the recipients. A member of the large audience, not herself a nurse, made this discerning comment: "I have seldom seen so impressive a ceremony nor so distinguished a group of women." Miss Simpson's oration, dealing with the life and work of Miss Snively, was admirable and entirely worthy of the occasion.

Proceedings

As is usual, a good deal of time was devoted to receiving and hearing the reports of committees. Reference has already been made to two reports of outstanding interest, and there were many others. Most of these will appear in the *Journal* and will be commented upon in due course. In this issue will be found the report of the executive secretary of the Canadian Nurses Association, Miss Jean S. Wilson. This should be carefully

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studied in relation to the proceedings at the Biennial Meeting for it supplies the key to much of the business which took place there.

The full text of the reports of the following committees is included in this issue:

Joint Study Committee of the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Nurses Association.

The Mary Agnes Snively Memorial Committee.

The Exchange of Nurses Committee.

The Committee on National Enrolment for nursing service in war or other disaster.

In this issue will also be found Miss Simpson's masterly presidential address entitled "Forward!" which not only recounts the victories already won but points toward those which must yet be gained if we are to attain our full stature as a profession.

Toward the end of the week, one entire afternoon was devoted to a symposium entitled "Nurses and Nursing." Among those contributing were Dr. A. K. Haywood, general superintendent, Vancouver General Hospital; Miss Elizabeth L. Smellie, C.B.E., chief superintendent, Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, and Dr. R. G. Ferguson, M.B.E., Director of Medical Services and General Superintendent, Saskatchewan Anti-Tuberculosis League, Saskatchewan. All three addresses were extremely valuable and most carefully thought out and will be published in an early issue of the *Journal*. Dr. Haywood's exposition of nurses and nursing, as seen by a hospital administrator, tempered justice with mercy and was shot through with a refreshing humour. Dr. Ferguson gave a significant analysis of the inroads of tuberculosis among student nurses. Most careful attention should be given to the conditions described in this thoughtful and scholarly address, which is, in some sense, an indictment of schools of nursing. Miss Smellie contributed an eloquent plea for more emphasis on the preventive aspects of nursing education but warned us against a blind dependence upon public health nursing organizations. She placed the responsibility where it belongs — upon the school of nursing. Each address was enhanced by the other two and they should be studied in relation to one another in order to get their full value.

At the evening session, as a fitting conclusion to the programme of the afternoon, came the masterly address, given by Miss Mary Beard, associate director of the International Health Division of the Rockefeller Foundation. Her topic was "Fundamental improvement in nursing education" and the *Journal* is to have the privilege of publishing its text in full. The mellow philosophy and the cultivated mind of the speaker were apparent in every sentence. Yet the general effect, as might have been expected, was that of simplicity and charm.

Discussion from the Floor

Reference has already been made to the high quality of the debate. Never at any previous Biennial Meeting have we heard such full and free discussion as took place at these meetings. Credit for this is due, in some measure, to those responsible for the formulation of the programme. Time is an essential factor and must be planned for in advance — and not only time: *timing* is equally essential. It was in this connection that the President displayed excellent judgment; the deliberate pause which allowed those participating to make up their minds as to what they were going to say, the absence of hurry, the determination that all should be heard — all these were of the essence of *timing*.

We must now interpolate "a sour note." This expressive bit of slang describes the solitary break in the otherwise perfect *rapport* between conductor and orchestra. We can best illustrate what we mean by describing an incident which occured all too often. In a hall in which both acoustics and ventilation left

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a good deal to be desired, Miss A. would rise to contribute to the discussion and after a few inaudible mumblings would be courteously entreated by the presiding officer as follows:

"Will you please come forward and give your name and that of the Province from which you come?"

Miss A. comes forward but has again to be requested to stand in the centre of the aisle so that she may be heard. She then proceeds to unburden her soul in a whisper, with her chin on her chest and her gaze fixed on the points of her pretty shoes. She still cannot be heard even at the press table ten feet away or by the distracted court stenographer. By some miracle, the weary, but still patient, presiding officer catches her general drift and interprets what she is saying. Usually it turns out to be something worthwhile which it would have been a pity to miss.

It is freely admitted that it is an ordeal to speak in public, even before a friendly audience. But having decided to do so, it is necessary to observe the rules of the game. It is inexcusable, even for the most timid, to fail to respect the expressed ruling of the chair with respect to taking the position from which one can be most easily heard. Neither is it unreasonable to expect that the first rule in public speaking should be observed by all. Here it is: raise your chin and speak to the back wall of the room. Once you have successfully passed this fiery test the rest is easier — for you and for your audience whose time you have no right to waste.

The value of any discussion depends upon its analytic quality. The capacity for critical analysis is possessed by relatively few persons and is not always appreciated at its full value by those who most benefit from it. Not every one realized how great a debt the Association owes in this connection to Mabel F. Gray, who accepted the difficult task of analyzing and integrating the discussion which centered about the highly controversial topic of Dominion registration. In this connection, as in several others, Miss Gray rendered most valuable service to all concerned by helping us to think things through to a logical conclusion.

Community Relationships

It was apparent throughout the meeting that we are beginning to realize the importance of keeping in close touch with the community. Dr. Allon Peebles in his informative address on "Health insurance and nursing" pointed out the opportunities and the dangers with which we are confronted in this field. He approached the whole problem of state medicine from a different angle than did Dr. Weir and we were given warning that much remains to be done by way of careful study and sound planning if nursing is to take its proper part in any enterprise which may be undertaken by governmental authorities.

The Press

Any discussion of community relationships naturally suggests the public press. Here, too, there is need for a better understanding. The newspapers of this country are friendly towards nurses and nursing. They are ready to help us and to report our proceedings fairly. At a time when the ceremonies of the civic Jubilee had a first claim on space, the Vancouver papers gave excellent publicity to the Biennial Meeting. The editorial comment was friendly and rang true. We quote from *The Province*:

The profession of the nurse is part, and an increasingly important part, of the active practice of the science of health, and the demands it makes upon the knowledge and intelligence of its graduates are increasingly onerous. A competent trained nurse, nowadays, it is no extravagance to say, has to know considerably more about the treatment of sickness and disease than the very Galens of medicine knew only a few decades ago.

But nursing is something more, and perhaps, in its essential requirements, something better than a science. It is a very wonderful and admirable and infinitely valuable human art, and it is an art in which all that is supremely fine and gracious in the attributes of womanhood finds expression. The skill and faithfulness of the nurse, the woman nurse, the ministering servitor of the sick room, is the indispensable aid to the physician. It is right that she should sometimes receive the

public recognition which belongs to the faithful performance of her office, and this meeting of Canadian nurses here is Vancouver's opportunity to do no less than that.

Reference must now be made to the famous *Province* cartoon which portrayed eight of our national leaders. To say that these portraits were flattering would be an exaggeration — and yet the subjects of Jack Boothe's merciless caricature may justly be proud: he does not bother to draw nonentities. If you are chosen it means that you (and the group whom you represent) are quite definitely in the public eye. We can remember a day when a cartoon such as this would have led to alarums and excursions. All that happened this time was that one of the victims "warned" an editorial authority that a collection would probably be taken up to defray the costs of a suit for libel. His reply took the form of a witty defence claiming that there were no real grounds for legal action, and that even if there were it would be useless to bring suit: "Our cartoonist has already left town; we met him in Chilliwack yesterday — heading East." We have come of age, even in the newspapers, and have emerged from the relative obscurity of "social events" into the fierce light of the wide-open spaces. Incidentally, the original "cut" is in the possession of the editor of this *Journal*. If at any time the renewal of the subscription, payable by any of the nurses concerned, fails to arrive promptly the following cryptic message will be sent to them: "Remit — or we publish." Yes, we have an accomplice who can isolate backsliders from the group as a whole. What a weapon!

As Others Saw Us

Our editorial ear is always alert to hear comments, critical and otherwise. One chambermaid said we were "nice, clean, quiet ladies. You ought to see the rooms we have to clean up sometimes." We said we could imagine what the rooms were like, having occasionally cleaned up the people who occupied them. One elderly elevator attendant wanted to know "why some of them were always backing up to let others get in ahead of them." We explained the influence of seniority and a strict head nurse. "Well," he said meditatively, "perhaps it's all right — but it does slow up the service." A benevolent but harassed waiter said that room service had never had so many demands for breakfast at seven in the morning. "It fair took us off our feet," said he; "the head waiter should have been warned about it." He further deplored the tendency of some of our officers to subsist on a diet of tea and sandwiches. "The men don't do that," he complained; "you ought to take a leaf out of their book." Yet even he had a good word: "nice, sensible lot on the whole," said he, as he carried off the grisly remains of our chicken sandwich of the night before.

Honourable Mention

Reference has already been made to the efficient work of the arrangements committee but a special word of appreciation is certainly due to the following nurses. Miss Aletha MacLellan and Miss Mary Campbell presided over the registration desk with courtesy and despatch. Mrs. Rae Gordon personified "information." Miss Mary Ewart directed traffic operations and "courtesy cars" sprung up by magic. Miss Helen Randal was busy with so many details that she plaintively said that she "hadn't even time to attend the meetings." However she did manage in between times to make some excellent contributions to the discussions. Mrs. E. D. Carder was responsible for arranging the delightful reception, tendered by the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia. Mrs. Wisher was the convener of the committee which directed the banquet on Tuesday evening. Miss Winnifred Cooke, of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, deserves great credit for the admirable professional exhibit which proved to be so interesting a

feature of the exhibit. We are sadly aware that we have not named all who contributed to our welfare and happiness. Additions to the list will be in order.

Welcome Visitors

Several of our most distinguished American colleagues honoured us with their presence, and contributed informally to our programme. Miss Effie Taylor, Dean of the School of Nursing of Yale University, and Miss Stella Goostray, secretary of the National League of Nursing Education, both gave us a vivid glimpse of what took place at the meetings of the American Nurses Association and of the League. Miss E. M. Lawler, superintendent of nurses in Johns Hopkins Hospital, also renewed her many Canadian friendships. Miss Beard is a confirmed internationalist so we need not mention her here.

What Remains?

The Biennial Meeting is over — but much remains. Its full effect is not yet apparent nor can it be for some time to come. It has left all of us many happy memories. It has brought new courage and inspiration to many of us. To a few it was a highly significant occasion: *we have come of age*. The responsibilities and the privileges of maturity are laid upon us and we must accept them. The watchword of our President is "Forward!"

ANNUAL MEETING IN ALBERTA

The annual meeting of the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses took place in Calgary from June 22 to 24 inclusive. The occasion marked the twentieth anniversary of the Association and due emphasis was placed on this happy circumstance in the official programme. Miss Eleanor McPhedran, who has herself made such a fine contribution to the building up of the Association, presented an excellent paper dealing with its history. The

Some of the nurses who attended the annual meeting of the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses.

official reports showed considerable activity on the part of the various committees and the meetings of the three sections were full of interest. The mornings were devoted to a refresher course which comprised four lectures dealing with teaching and supervision given by Miss Marion Lindeburgh, director of the School for Graduate Nurses of McGill University. Miss Elizabeth Smith, director of health activities in the Provincial Normal School at Moose Jaw, gave a vivid description of her experiences as a Florence Nightingale International Student both in England and on the Continent. Two of her lectures dealt with school health education and maternal and child welfare. Recent trends in private duty nursing were discussed by Miss E. Johns.

A visit to the Central Alberta Sanatorium proved to be both pleasant and instructive. A number of extremely interesting demonstrations had been arranged for the benefit of the visitors who were afterwards entertained at tea in the beautiful grounds.

The attendance was very good and a number of nurses who were on their way to the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association helped to swell the total. The accompanying photograph shows some of those who registered for the refresher course grouped around the president, Miss F. Munroe.

A TRAVELLING DENTAL CLINIC

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At the time of the Haileybury fire some years ago, the Northern Ontario Relief Commission was formed to administer the fund raised for relief of the burned-out area. The fund having been not completely exhausted, the Commission has continued to provide various medical and relief services to the people of the north country. An outstanding feature of this service has been the Travelling Dental Clinic. Planned to serve the outlying communities, particularly those distant from the railway, the clinic took the form of a motor coach. A special body on a Ford truck chassis was fitted out with complete dental equipment, including running water, sleeping accommodation and kitchenette. With this home and office on wheels, Dr. B. L. Washburn has travelled over all parts of Northern Ontario bringing dental services to thousands of frontier people to whom, in most instances, no other dental services were available. During the winter months, the service has been continued by setting up the equipment in temporary local quarters.

For nearly a year, the clinic coach has been nominally the property of the Canadian Red Cross Society, but in October, 1935, complete administration of the travelling dental clinic was assumed by the Ontario Division and made part of the Outpost Service. As a full-fledged member of the outpost family, the Outpost Dental Coach may now be considered the little brother of the Outpost Hospital Car.

In undertaking this service, the Red Cross desires to co-operate to the fullest with the local dentists. Parent consent cards, duly signed by the parents, are requested, and these are screened by a local committee among whose members, when possible, is the local dentist. All children are examined; but only those unable to pay are treated. Interested citizens in outlying parts of the province, especially if distant from a dentist or in areas of unusual poverty, are invited to address requests for this service to Outpost Dental Service, Canadian Red Cross Society, Ontario Division, 621 Jarvis Street, Toronto 5, Ontario.

THE EDITOR'S DESK

Explanation

We are painfully aware that the pages in this issue of the *Journal* for which the editor is personally responsible leave a good deal to be desired. Breathless and jerky sentences abound, but when due consideration is given to the environment in which they were written perhaps our readers will not be too severe. They were composed while travelling across Canada in what we once described as "a sizzling tin oven." No, we did not manage to get accommodation in air-conditioned luxury; we took what we could get. Haunted by the ghost of a rapidly approaching "dead-line" we wrestled with the Muse at a temperature of 106° Fahrenheit—an atmosphere not conducive to journalistic effort or to literary charm.

Reporting the Biennial

This *Journal* contains, among other and better things, a running description of the Biennial Meeting. This is in no sense a report of official action but is simply what reporters call a "news story." In the September issue, the verbatim text of the resolutions adopted at the Biennial Meeting will appear under the caption of *Notes from the National Office*. The leading article, written by the President of the Canadian Nurses Association, will deal with these resolutions and will explain their general import. In due course many of the reports and most of the addresses presented at the meeting will be published in full.

As our leading article we present the masterly address delivered at the Biennial Meeting by the President of the Canadian Nurses Association, Miss Ruby M. Simpson, and we take this opportunity of congratulating her on her re-election to the presidency, by acclamation.

It will be noted that our story makes no reference to *The Canadian Nurse* as "she" appeared at the Biennial Meeting. The restraint thus imposed has been hard on us but we are consoled by the prospect of coming out in a blaze of glory in September. All we can say here is: *Did you see our booth?*

Readers' Guide

Calling all delegates! In preparing your report be sure to give careful study to the entire content of *Notes from the National Office*. Some important material appears under that caption. △ What is generalized public health nursing? No one knows better than Jessie Y. Farquharson. Read what she has to say about it. △ At the Biennial Meeting, Miss E. Frances Upton made a strong plea for the building up of registries. Her views are shared by Kathleen McCallum, herself a private duty nurse.

Sanctuary

All good things come to an end—even the meetings of the Canadian Nurses Association and Sunday morning brought a scattering of the clans. The captains and the kings departed. We woke with a sigh of relief to find a gentle rain descending — the Vancouver variety which does not wet you. All week long we had had a secret tryst with some very old friends. To all other hospitable offers we had turned a deaf ear. We knew where we were going and were soon on our way.

At the portals of Stanley Park we invested in a ham sandwich and a chocolate bar. We then made a bee-line for a pathway of which we remembered every turning though we had not trodden it for ten long years. It leads to a sanctuary where dwell the great trees — centuries old. There was a lovely and a healing silence broken only once or twice by the song of a bird. We remembered then the truth that Professor Dilworth had told us: that there are moods which can only be expressed in terms of great poetry. Herbert Trench has this to say of "Friendly Trees":

O dreamy, gloomy, friendly trees,
I come along your narrow track
To bring my gifts unto your knees,
And gifts did you bring back;
For when I brought this heart that burns
These thoughts that bitterly repine
And laid them here among the ferns
And the hum of boughs divine,
Ye, vastest breathers of the air,
Shook down with slow and mighty poise,
Your coolness on the human care,
Your wonder on its toys;
Your greenness on the heart's despair,
Your darkness on its noise.

After we had listened to the counsel of the trees we went on to Second Beach. It was low tide and our favourite rock (the one with a back to lean against) was high and fairly dry. As we consumed our frugal repast we looked about for other old friends and, all of a sudden, one of them suddenly appeared. He is an elderly crow who, for many years, has maintained a querulous friendship with a melancholy gull. When we lived in Vancouver they used to scuttle along the water's edge together, looking for succulent morsels. With an expectant eye on the crumbs of our sandwich, the crow hopped nearer. We thought we saw a gleam of recognition in his cynical eye but, having snapped up the last almond of our chocolate bar, he continued to gaze wistfully out to sea. No gull. We were afraid to ask any questions. One never knows. At last, to our relief, there came a flash of wings and a thin eldritch scream. It was the gull, *his* gull, our gull.

Drowsing in the watery sunlight, we listened to their profane and vituperative conversation until the tide invaded our resting place. Presently the rain began to fall again and we tramped home, alone, beneath the friendly trees. *Sanctuary.*

A RECENT APPOINTMENT

The School of Nursing of the University of Toronto has announced an addition to staff in the person of Miss Nettie D. Fidler, Director of Nursing of the Toronto Psychiatric Hospital. In Miss Fidler this new school receives a nurse who has had an unusually broad experience and also one who has taken an active part in the work of our professional organizations. Having received the general training in the nursing school of the Toronto General Hospital, Miss Fidler filled, in turn, the positions of head nurse and night supervisor in that same hospital during a period of five and a half years. After that she enjoyed a year of postgraduate study, in teaching and administration, in the School for Graduate Nurses of McGill University and then returned to the Toronto General Hospital as instructor in its nursing school, and continued that work until she resigned to take charge of the nursing service at the Toronto Psychiatric Hospital in March, 1931. Since then Miss Fidler has had extensive experience with the Ontario Mental Hospitals, both in Toronto and in Whitby, having been transferred from one to the other of these two institutions and serving both in the capacity of superintendent of nurses. These institutions have had much to do with general training courses for nurses and also with specialized postgraduate courses and in all of this work Miss Fidler has had to give leadership. Thus her experience both in hospital work itself, and in the field of nursing education, has been of an unusually interesting nature. Miss Fidler brings to her new task a quality of ability, evidenced throughout her entire hospital experience, which will augment and enrich the staff of this experimental School.

Department of Public Health Nursing

GENERALIZED PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

JESSIE Y. FARQUHARSON, Public Health Nurse, East York Township, Ont.

The township of East York is a municipality adjacent to Toronto, having a population of 37,500 inhabitants. A generalized public health nursing service is given by four municipal nurses under the general direction of the Medical Officer of Health. These nurses are responsible for special physical inspection in the schools. The township is also served by five members of the staff of the local branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses. Experience as a municipal nurse in this community has prompted the ideas and suggestions which follow.

Publicity

Although a nurse may have worked in a community for some time, there may be people who do not avail themselves of her services because they do not know the scope of her work. Municipal nurses might well follow the example of the Victorian Order by requesting their boards to make public each year, a statement of their objectives and the actual services rendered. The local papers are a good medium for putting this information before the public. The nurse should utilize all opportunities to speak to parents' or teachers' groups, to taxpayers and to philanthropic organizations. By meeting these groups, she will get the layman's point of view and it will thus be easier for her to get material help such as extra milk, glasses, and so on for the underprivileged.

Co-operation

In carrying out every health programme, there may be wasted effort and some duplication of service. How can we best avoid this and save both time and energy? The nurse works with many people — teachers, pupils, social workers — all of whom should have mutual respect for the other's time. When general practitioners offer volunteer service we should be lenient if they keep us waiting occasionally; but when they are employed to do regular work on a remunerative basis they should respect the nurse's time. When the public knows what the nurse does and when and where she may be found, we expect its members to take an active part in the health programme and to come to the nurse on their own initiative. The nurse will save time by making more appointments for parents in her office, thus reducing the number of home visits; the parents come in a more receptive frame of mind, and it is easier for the nurse to discuss hygiene and demonstrate suspected defects in the school. When the pre-school child is invited to come too, the whole family can be surveyed.

In school work, there should be more economy of effort in selecting children with suspected defects and those who are below par. Every effort should be made to encourage teachers to report these children without having them wait too long for routine inspection. Many defects in vision, especially in the second and third classes, can be reported by observant teachers and we should continually help them to be on the alert. The nurse should speak occasionally at teachers' meetings, stating what symptoms and abnormalities they may find and demonstrating where advisable. Individual instructions may be given as required, especially to young teachers. It is profitable to demonstrate vision or hearing tests to them when a child is having difficulty. The daily classroom inspection by the teacher is a great help, particularly in

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the early recognition of skin and other communicable diseases.

In order to see how her recommendations turn out, and to maintain a sane and practical attitude toward her work, the nurse needs to keep in touch with the general practitioner and all curative agencies. For the more specialized forms of her work, interviews with the various local specialists (as well as the family doctor) will help. The best methods of selecting children having difficulty with vision and hearing or nose and throat trouble may be learned from them, and the tuberculosis programme discussed with the chest man and the family doctor. Interviews of this kind will result in a better choice of patients, clinics will be purged of unnecessary cases and more intelligent supervision given to borderline cases.

Getting Action

Have we adequate means of treatment to carry out our recommendations? A controller in a Canadian city is reported as saying: "We have too many inspection centres and not enough facilities in the way of treatment. We have heard of waiting lists of children who need their tonsils removed; they are given a card to that effect and that is the end of it." Maybe our controller is a little prejudiced. But is it not true that we see these children being passed on from the school doctor or nurse to the family doctor until, after several conferences with each of these, the child finally reaches the third agency — that of the treatment clinic where he is put down as an urgent case and waits a year or more for tonsillectomy? Surely the cost of all these inspections and conferences is very high and if, from the standpoint of economics, treatment were possible for all, there would be a great increase in the number of parents applying for it and a decreasing need for inspections in the school.

The "National Health Review" gives a report on a two-year study of medical inspection in an American city. It says: "The available corrective facilities should determine the standard for a defect. The needs of the moment are not for more children to be examined, or for more frequent examinations, but for a more discriminative choice of cases in such volume as to supply comfortably and not overload present corrective facilities." The directors of the study deplored the fact that tonsillectomy is so frequently advised without an adequate history of the case having been obtained.

Doctor and Nurse

How can clinic doctors help the nurse to do good follow-up work? A nurse's time is poorly spent if she tries to do it with insufficient information. She must know the condition from which the patient suffers and the recommendations of the physician. This information is usually passed on to the nurse from the doctor's history notes. If he has modified his instructions verbally, and not in writing, the nurse will be handicapped in her supervision. Too many reports should not be expected, but a few concise and comprehensive notes are of great value. In our overcrowded clinics it is marvellous what excellent work the doctors accomplish; however, for our follow-up work, we might educate them to be more "nursing-minded." A report of a bronchiectasis case telling the nurse that there are some râles in the chest will not aid in supervision; but the doctors who write instructions for postural drainage, the amount of rest necessary and a recommendation to keep the child from school for a period, gives the greatest assistance. Should these orders be given verbally, the nurse will hear them only as interpreted by the mother. In tuberculosis work the nurse needs a definite diagnosis, stating the nature and extent of the disease (minimal, quiescent, arrested, etc.) and sufficient information to understand in a general way the patient's condition. The doctor who records the definite instruc-

tions he has given the patient, especially regarding the amount of rest, gives the nurse a firm hand over the patient and may expect intelligent supervision.

Smaller clinics, with more time per patient, would be better. Already there is a movement to use clinics more for consultation purposes. Would it not help all who serve the clinic patients if the clinic doctors and nurses met the field group to discuss mutual problems?

Work with the Hospital

How can district nurses and hospital staff work together? We hear a great deal about the high cost of hospitalization. Paying patients may wish to leave the hospital early and call in a visiting nurse at home. Municipal order patients present a more difficult problem, not always of a nursing nature. The intelligent discharge of a patient is very important, particularly if he goes home needing nursing care. Verbal and written instructions are necessary. Diet should be stressed and the dietitian should see the patient or his parents. The parents of a child will desire to see the doctor in order to learn the condition of the patient and the necessary home care. As nurses, we may see other demands more clearly than our own and so overlook the need of demonstrating nursing care when certain chronic or convalescent patients are discharged. Hospitals may count too much on the public health nurse because they do not realize how long an interval may elapse before she can see the patient. If the patient lives outside of the municipality in which the hospital is situated it may be some time before the nurse even hears of the discharge. One superintendent of a hospital, when a small hernia patient is discharged to a good home while still in his box splint, has the nurse who discharged him demonstrate the nursing care to his mother and asks the mother to apply to the public health nurse for nursing supervision. A few minutes spent in explanation or simple demonstration will frequently remove fear and give the parent confidence. Could not hospital staff and district nurses send representatives to each others' meetings so that they might discuss these mutual problems?

The Future

How does the present relief system in Ontario affect the public health nurse? The relief doctor is called to all illness, including minor communicable diseases. Formerly, the nurse hunted up the latter, reporting them to the Medical Officer of Health. She is no longer called to see "if the child is sick enough to have a doctor." The doctor has already seen all the troublesome tonsils and in some cases has begun immunization in the homes. This work properly belongs to the doctor and relieves the nurse. Yet we are busier than ever because the public are more interested in healthful ways of living and request our help in securing treatment. One medical officer of health has prophesied great modifications in school examinations and other forms of public health work when medical services become available to all. Public health nursing is bound up closely with the public health system. Let us watch and plan so that the nurse's position in any new order will be adequately and wisely worked out.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The Medicine Hat General Hospital (140 beds) requires the services of a qualified Instructress of Nurses and also a qualified Maternity Supervisor.

Communicate with the Superintendent of Nurses stating qualifications and experience, addressing her at the Medicine Hat General Hospital, Medicine Hat, Alberta.

Department of Private Duty Nursing

BUILDING UP A REGISTRY

KATHLEEN McCALLUM, Private Duty Nurse, Winnipeg, Man.

The Community Nursing Bureau (as it will be some day) is a vast change to what the majority of our registries are today. All progress is slow and before our goal is reached many careful steps must be taken. As a beginning, all nurses, all doctors, the hospital and the entire community should be made "registry conscious" and kept so.

We should start with the undergraduate group; all graduating classes in local hospitals should see and hear the registrar personally, and be given whatever cards or leaflets the registry is using for publicity among its members. Every new applicant should know the registry as an organization, the purpose of which is to reach everyone in the community who needs a nurse. She should see her own work not as an individualized routine of taking cases and leaving them, but as part of a community project in which the key position is her own. In order to keep in touch with registrants, the registry should hold regular meetings for the discussion of the problems of both sides.

Every doctor in the territory covered by the registry should know just what it can do for him and for the community. He should know what the problems and difficulties of the registry are and should feel that the registry needs and appreciates his co-operation. If you can convince him that the regsitry can give him the service he wants he will use it and be enrolled among its supporters. Not only should the available services be pointed out to him but he should be constantly reminded of them. A meeting with the secretary of the provincial medical association is a good beginning; blotters could be sent out monthly and stickers to be posted on the front of the telephone directory. An occasional letter and a copy of the rules and regulations of the registry will keep him interested. Never should he be allowed to forget that the registry exists and is of service to him.

In dealing with hospitals the problem is somewhat different. The registry is often the only link between the private duty nurse and the hospital and is given the blame for much over which it has no control. Hospital executives have a very faint idea of how a registry is operated, and were they to take the time to visit the registry office to observe how the work is done many difficulties could soon be eliminated. The long familiar call: "Miss Jones, will you go to the General Hospital at 8 p.m." is most inadequate. If, by means of co-operation between the hospital and the registry, more information could be given when calling a nurse it would undoubtedly be an advantage to the patient, the hospital and the nurse. The surgical patient would much less frequently be forced to employ a postgraduate obstetrical nurse, and the surgical nurse would have less obstetrical nursing to do.

The hospital should be approached in the friendliest spirit. Hospital boards should know what is going on in the registry world of today and the head of the registry should get permission to appear, annually if possible, before its board. Every non-medical member of the hospital administrative staff should know all about the registry, since busy doctors sometimes need reminding. For continued contact and co-operation the hospital should at all times be kept "registry conscious." The community should know of the agency through which adequate scientific nursing may be secured. If all nurses,

all doctors and all hospital administrators know of its existence and tell their friends, a good start has been made in the community.

Naturally any member of the community is most susceptible to nursing information when in direct contact with it; this makes the nurses, or members of the registry its best publicity agents. It is easy for the nurse to tell the family what it means to be a registered nurse, how the registry works for the public good, what the hourly service is, and what the registry hopes to do for the community. Some registries send a leaflet or personal letter to a family, where a nurse has been supplied, on the day of her arrival, stressing the vital necessity of securing the services of a competent registered nurse and explaining her place in the home. All this helps the family in understanding and appreciating both the nurse and the registry and through the family this information is passed on to friends.

The press is another means of reaching the community and frequent short items are more effective than one long article. Repetition is necessary in publicity and short items should also be sent to different clubs and organizations. In the office of the registry there should be a carefully prepared classified list including nurses who speak one or more foreign languages, or who have taken postgraduate courses. Preferences on the part of a nurse should not be ignored. Upon applying for membership each registrant should be asked for a passport picture and it is essential that those in charge of the registry should have sufficient information concerning each individual registrant in order that the needs of the community can be met.

The first step toward our ultimate goal seems to be: *make the registry, its aims, services and purpose known to all the nurses, all the doctors and the whole community.*

NIGHTINGALE MEMORIAL FUND

Contributions to the Florence Nightingale Memorial Fund have been received as follows:

Alberta	
A.A., Lamont Public Hospital	$ 10.00
Student Government Association, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton	15.00
Calgary Graduate Nurses Association	10.00
Married Nurses in Edmonton	1.50
Manitoba	
Nursing Staff, Winnipeg Public Schools	2.25
Social Service Department, Winnipeg General Hospital	1.00
Student Nurses, Winnipeg General Hospital	5.00
Staff, St. Boniface Hospital	2.00
Nova Scotia	
Cape Breton and Victoria County Branch, R.N.A.N.S.	10.00
Staff, Highland View Hosptial, Amherst	5.00
Halifax Branch, Victorian Order of Nurses	2.00
Ontario	
A.A., Women's College Hospital, Toronto	5.00
Student Government, Training School for Nurses, Toronto General Hospital	127.00
Quebec	
Staff, Shriners Hospital, Montreal	4.00

A GLORIOUS JUBILEE

JEAN MASTEN, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto.

The Training School of the Hospital for Sick Children this year celebrated its fiftieth anniversary. This linking up of the old days and the present was very happily accomplished during the three-day celebrations by the presence of two of the former superintendents and of the first graduate. Mrs. Grant, who as Miss Cody, a graduate of the Toronto General Hospital, was the first superintendent and founder of the Training School; Mrs. Goodson, who as Miss Brent, embodied the spirit of the Hospital for Sick Children for both doctors and nurses for so many years; and Miss Josephine Hamilton, who finished her two-year course in 1888 and has continuously practised her profession from that day to this.

Regrets, of course, there had to be for the absence of many who have helped to build up the School. First and foremost, Mr. John Ross Robertson, to whose affectionate interest and energy we owe so very much; Miss Kinder, first full-time instructor of the School, and for eight years assistant-superintendent, was in Vancouver. Miss Potts, who succeeded Miss Brent as superintendent, was unable to be present owing to ill-health; both her "own" nurses and those who have had the privilege of meeting her since she resigned, regretted her absence; and Miss Panton, Miss Potts' successor as Superintendent of Nurses, was also unfortunately absent in Vancouver. But many graduates returned who had not seen the hospital for years, and had never seen the Country Branch. Married members deserted their families for three days to rejoin old friends. Busy nurses from many parts of Canada and the United States arranged to be present, among whom it was a pleasure to see Miss Lillie A. Bennett, superintendent of nurses, Yonkers General Hospital, Yonkers, U.S.A.; Miss Gertrude Spanner, superintendent, Alameda Sanatorium, Alameda, California, and Miss Cordelia Hoeflin, director of nursing, Indiana State University Hospital, Indianapolis, U.S.A.

The reunion opened under the auspices of the Alumnae Association, with the annual dinner for the graduating class. This occasion was marked by the presence of the heads of the services in the hospital, the Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, the chairman of the Board, and the superintendent of the hospital. These included Dr. and Mrs. Alan Brown, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Robertson, Dr. and Mrs. Robson, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Parsons, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. S. Wishart, Dr. Canfield, Dean and Mrs. Gallie, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Laidlaw, and Mr. and Mrs. Bower. The menus showed sketches of nurses in the original and present uniforms. Two hundred guests were present. Mrs. Russell, president of the Alumnae Association, presided and in a most interesting speech, she traced the development of the Alumnae Association from its inception in 1903 to the present day. Various activities have sprung up in connection with the Association: The Heather Club, which for twenty-seven years has done so much for underprivileged children on their discharge from hospital, and the Welfare Association which meets to make garments for distribution by the Hospital Social Service. Following her speech, Mrs. Russell presented to Miss Hamilton, on behalf of the Alumnae Association, a brooch inscribed with the dates 1888 and 1936.

Mrs. James, in a witty speech, proposed the toast to the graduating class. The toast to the School was proposed by its loyal friend, Dr. Harold Parsons. He recalled the early days at Lakeside, and the readiness with which Mr. John Ross Robertson acted on any suggestion that would promote the welfare and advancement of nursing. He paid a great tribute to the women who have moulded and developed the School, and to the influence of the nurses on the children who enter the wards. To most of those who have worked with Dr. Parsons, a little shadow sat beside his chair: the faithful "Ginger", whose obituary notice recently appeared, no longer makes ward rounds with his master. Miss Austin responded to the toast to the School, and said that she was sure that the graduates of 1936 would be worthy of their heritage.

Dr. Canfield then spoke on the life of the old days in hospital. He recalled the terrifying experiences of the new internes "who did not know one side of a baby from the other," and were thankful for an understanding head nurse. Many dark references were made to mysterious "goings-on"; Miss Brent's rounds were carefully timed by internes and nurses, a fact of which, like most things, she was fully aware. Dr. Canfield and Miss Kinder taught the nurses and he felt that, between them, they made a very good job of it.

At this point the graduating class, who had spent the interval before dinner surrounding Dr. Robertson, asked that he should speak. For all felt that over and above the celebrations for the fiftieth anniversary, the occasion was the first real opportunity many had had to welcome home the surgeon-in-chief. So Dr. Robertson did speak, and gave all present a thrill. By this time it was impossible for Dr. Gallie and Dr. Alan Brown to escape. The

former said he had listened with some disquiet to his contemporary, Dr. Canfield, refer to so many dark happenings during their internship. For himself, he had forgotten them if they ever existed, and in any case his interest had, of course, been entirely in his work, and not in the nursing staff. Dr. Alan Brown rose to claim his rightful place as definitely junior to these people who spoke so familiarly of such early times. It is impossible in a series of dry sentences, to convey the spirit of such an evening; the intimate tie that binds all those who have worked together in a common interest; the family jokes shared by everyone in the clan, and the scene of loyalty and interdependence among the different groups forming the whole.

On the afternoon of June 9 the Board of Trustees gave a garden party at Thistletown, for the graduates, the staff, and the many friends of the Hospital. The guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Laidlaw, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. W. Bower and Miss P. Beatrice Austin. Tea was served by nurses wearing the hospital uniform in all its stages. The earliest one was especially admired, with its adornments of crisp white organdy fichu, organdy cap, rather like a birdcage, and neat black pincushion hanging from the waist. The dog collars worn by the "pinks" caused many a nurse of today to think gratefully of her Eton collars: not always as kind to the neck as could be desired, but surely better than that iron band. The graduates who remember Lakeside and regret its passing, must surely that day have felt that Thistletown too has a charm of its own, and can show as many happy children with rosy tanned faces as did the earlier Country Branch.

Finally, on June 10, came the graduation exercises. As in other years, the same crisp, shining procession wound its way from the Residence through Queen's Park to Convocation Hall. Again the traffic was held by up by police on motor-cycles; perhaps a faint echo of that grand annual procession of patients and nurses from College Street to the Docks that heralded the great exodus to Lakeside in the old days. At any rate, even today there are admiring groups of ex-patients and near neighbours to the south, along the route. The programme was presided over by Mr. H. H. Williams, now the honorary, but for many years the active, chairman of the Board of Trustees. Miss Austin, in presenting her report, gave a brief account of the history of the School, and described the adjustments that each year demands to meet the increasing work, and to give the students the fullest training.

The speaker of the evening was His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Ontario. Dr. Bruce paid such discerning tributes to the Hospital as are only possible to one who has himself spent his professional life on wards and in operating theatres. It was a great honour on such an occasion to be addressed by the Lieutenant-Governor of the Province. The nurses were privileged to receive their diplomas from Mrs. Grant and Mrs. Goodson, to whom all the graduates of the Hospital, that evening numbering 870, owe so much.

Every graduate must have carried away with her a renewed sense of *esprit de corps*, and a grateful realization of the truth of Dr. Gallie's remarks, when he said that this Hospital is fortunate in the traditions that it is establishing, and in the privileges it has enjoyed.

"THE WHITE ANGEL"

Before its release to the general public, a pre-view was arranged in Toronto of the film, entitled "The White Angel" and dealing with the life of Florence Nightingale. It is satisfying to be assured that this picture play is worthy of its subject and that the producers, Warner Brothers, deserve the grateful appreciation of the nursing profession. In addition to the officers of the Canadian Red Cross Society, several representative Canadian nurses were present including Miss F. H. M. Emory, Miss Nora Moore, Miss Edna Moore, Miss P. B. Austin, Miss R. E. Hamilton and Miss Henderson. These nurses gave it their unqualified approval. It is interesting to note that the American Nurses Association has formally approved the film and has sent word out to its various organizations to that effect. These are the words of endorsation given by Mr. Norman Sommerville, chairman of the Canadian Red Cross Society: "To those who love and admire Florence Nightingale, to those who appreciate the work of the professional nurse in caring for the sick and wounded in times of peace and of war, I strongly recommend this picture."

Notes from the National Office

Contributed by JEAN S. WILSON, Reg. N., Executive Secretary.

The General Meeting

The recent General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association in Vancouver was adjourned just before this number of the *Journal* went to press; consequently, in this issue it is possible to announce only the results of the election of officers and to publish the report of the Executive Secretary as presented at the General Meeting.

Election of Officers

The election of officers at the General Meeting resulted in a return of each officer who served during the period 1934-1936. The re-elected officers are: President, Miss R. M. Simpson, Parliament Buildings, Regina, Sask.; First Vice-President, Miss G. M. Fairley, General Hospital, Vancouver, B.C.; Second Vice-President, Miss M. L. Moag, 1246 Bishop Street, Montreal, P.Q.; Honorary Secretary, Miss E. J. Wilson, 668 Bannatyne Ave., Winnipeg, Man.; Honorary Treasurer, Miss M. Murdoch, General Hospital, Saint John, N.B.; *Chairmen of Sections*: Nursing Education, Miss M. Lindeburgh, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q.; Public Health, Miss A. E. Wells, Legislative Buildings, Winnipeg, Man.; Private Duty, Miss J. L. Church, 120 Strathcona Ave., Ottawa, Ont. Miss Lindeburgh and Miss Wells were re-elected for a second two-year period. Miss Church has been acting chairman of the Private Duty Section from October 1, 1935.

The New Curriculum

Copies of "A Proposed Curriculum for Schools of Nursing in Canada," as prepared by the Curriculum Committee of the Nursing Education Section of the Canadian Nurses Association, can be obtained at the National Office, Suite 401, 1411 Crescent Street, Montreal, Que. The price per copy is one dollar. Orders should be sent, as soon as possible, to the Executive Secretary of the Canadian Nurses Association.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

I have the honour to present the seventh biennial report as Executive Secretary of the Canadian Nurses Association.

Executive Committee

During the interval between general meetings, the business of the Association becomes the responsibility of the Executive Committee. This Committee consists of forty-four members of whom five are officers, three are chairmen of sections and thirty-six are Councillors. The Councillors represent the nine Provincial Associations of Registered Nurses, which, in federation, comprise the national organization. As a result of elections in Provincial Associations, sixty-eight individual members have served as Councillors during the biennial period under review. It has become customary for Executive Meetings to be held quarterly, generally in the city in which the President resides. Due to the time and expense involved in travelling, attendance at meetings usually is limited to five or six members. To each meeting are submitted detailed reports from the Executive Secretary, the editor and business manager of *The Canadian Nurse*, and from standing and special committees, national sections and Provincial Associations. The minutes of all meetings are recorded in detail and copies sent to each member of the Executive Committee. Also, as occasion arises, a copy of reports of moment are mailed to these members. By this procedure, now that the chairmen of the provincial sections are members of their

executive committees or are invited to attend meetings of the latter, the federated units, through their executive bodies, are supplied the means by which they may keep themselves informed of their national organization.

Special Committees

While the Executive Committee is responsible for the business of the Association during the biennial period between general meetings, professional organization projects and problems that require study and development or clarification are delegated to special committees. During the past biennial period fifteen special committees functioned in the interests of the national organization. Reports from these committees will be received at later sessions. In so far as is convenient to the conveners of these committees, stenographic work arising from their activities receives attention at National Office. Demands for this service are increasing annually, and similarly, the amount of time, stationery supplies and postage charges.

Study of Nursing Costs

A resolution passed at the General Meeting in 1934 read: "That the Canadian Nurses Association continue to urge that every hospital with a school of nursing undertake a definite study of nursing costs in its own institution, in order that the cost of nursing education and nursing service may be separated and compared, and that leadership in the study be given through the national and provincial Joint Study Committees." A copy of this resolution was to be sent to the superintendents and superintendents of nurses of all hospitals with schools of nursing and to the various hospital associations in Canada. Preparatory to distribution and due to the scarcity of printed material on nursing costs in hospitals, a paper entitled "The budget system" by Miss M. F. Hersey (1932) was reprinted and a copy enclosed with the letter containing the resolution. This material was mailed to 350 hospital superintendents and superintendents of schools of nursing and to fourteen hospital associations. All members of the National Joint Study Committee and the conveners of the Provincial Joint Study Committees received copies of the letter and pamphlet.

A similar request was made to hospitals with schools of nursing following the General Meeting in 1932. It is anticipated that from reports which are to be presented at later sessions announcement will be made of developments arising from these requests of a study of nursing costs.

History of Nursing

At the General Meeting in 1934, it was decided that the report of the History of Nursing committee (1932-1934) be tabled, the matter to be reopened at a later date but not at that General Meeting. The Executive Committee in meeting on March 8, 1936, gave consideration to the foregoing action and decided that the question of the preparation of a History of Nursing in Canada be not reopened in 1936 but that it be discussed in Executive during the year 1937 with a view to its presentation at the General Meeting in 1938.

Provincial Associations

It is gratifying to report that the total membership of the nine federated units has increased 16 per cent in the two-year period. The present membership is 11,947. Later, an outline of the activities for the biennial period will be submitted by each Provincial Association; also, the results of certain studies will be reported. Following the General Meeting in 1934, each Provincial Association was asked to study and take action toward establishing a community nursing service bureau and the licensing, under provincial control, of all who nurse the sick for hire.

Reciprocity

Following the General Meeting in 1932, correspondence was commenced with the General Nursing Council for England and Wales for the purpose of establishing reciprocal registration for nurses who are registered in England or

Canada. The preliminary negotiations completed, several Provincial Associations of Registered Nurses have proceeded to complete reciprocal arrangements with Great Britain and Ireland. At present the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia and the Manitoba Association of Registered Nurses have established reciprocal arrangements with the General Nursing Council for England and Wales, and the General Nursing Council for Scotland, while similar negotiations are being considered by the Manitoba Association of Registered Nurses with the General Nursing Council for Northern Ireland and the similar Council for the Irish Free State. The Alberta Association of Registered Nurses are endeavouring to make a similar arrangement with the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

National Health Conference

In April, 1935, the President arranged to have a small delegation representing the Association wait on the Prime Minister and the Minister of Health at Ottawa for the purpose of presenting an Outline on Health Insurance and Nursing Services. These interviews took place the day prior to the opening of a conference between the Federal and Provincial Ministers of Health. The delegation from the Canadian Nurses Association were invited to attend, as observers, the several meetings of the Conference which resulted in the decision to appoint a Royal Commission to investigate the whole field of Canada's health service with a view to acquiring data on state medicine and health insurance. It was proposed to have the Canadian Nurses Association represented on the Royal Commission. The appointees to the proposed Royal Commission on Health Services have not yet been announced by the Federal authorities. Copies of the Outline on Health Insurance and Nursing Service and of the delegates' report were sent to the Executive Committee and the Provincial Associations in order that they might be kept informed.

Remembrance Day

By invitation of the Canadian Legion of the British Empire Service League, the Association was officially represented at the National Remembrance Day ceremony on Parliament Hill, Ottawa, in 1935. Later these representatives, together with those from the Overseas Nursing Sisters Association of Canada, and accompanied by a group of nurses resident in the Federal Capital, held a brief memorial service before the Nurses National Memorial in the Hall of Fame, Parliament Buildings. The service, arranged by the Canadian Legion, was followed by the placing of flowers before the beautiful memorial panel which perpetuates, in honoured memory, the nursing services rendered to Canada from 1641 to 1918. This Memorial, presented to the Dominion of Canada by the Canadian Nurses Association, was unveiled in August, 1926.

International Council of Nurses

Late in 1934, the President of the International Council of Nurses announced the resignation of Miss C. Reimann, Secretary, and editor of the *International Nursing Review*, and the appointment of Miss Anna Schwarzenberg as Executive Secretary. The temporary suspension of publication of the *Review* was announced; however, since February last, such publication has been resumed, four issues of the *Review* to be made annually.

An interim meeting of the Board of Directors was held in Geneva in July, 1935. As the President of the Canadian Nurses Association was unable to attend, Miss Jean Gunn represented the President. The following resolution was forwarded by the Association and received by the Board of Directors: "That the Canadian Nurses Association stress to the International Council of Nurses, and through the latter, the women of the world, the urgent need of their united

effort to sponsor and to support measures for the promotion of World Peace and Control of Armaments." As the Board of Directors has no acting power this resolution has been placed on the agenda for the meeting of the Grand Council in 1937.

Several questionnaires issued by International Headquarters to National Member Organizations were completed on behalf of the Canadian Nurses Association.

Nightingale International Foundation

The Grand Council of the Florence Nightingale International Foundation met in London in July, 1935, when the Association was represented by Miss Jean Gunn, who is a vice-president of the Foundation. The Executive Committee of the Association in June, 1935, decided that at this meeting of the Grand Council, the recommendations as formulated at the General Meeting in 1934, and forwarded to the Secretary of the Foundation at that time, be again presented. The report of Canada's representative to the Grand Council will be given later when reference will be made to action taken relative to those recommendations.

Scholarship

As all clerical work in connection with the Florence Nightingale Memorial Scholarship, offered by the Canadian Nurses Association, receives attention at National Office, report is here made in regard to requests for application forms for the scholarship. In 1935, seventeen requests were received; of these eight were returned. In 1936, twenty-three requests were received; of these five were returned. To promote interest in and to supply information concerning the scholarship and the endowment fund of the Foundation, a four-page pamphlet was prepared and made available to the conveners of the provincial Florence Nightingale Memorial Committees.

Approved Schools of Nursing

With the assistance of the provincial secretary-registrars, the list of approved schools of nursing is revised annually. While a few schools have been discontinued during the past two years, a corresponding number have been opened with the result that the total number for Canada has not decreased since 1934. The provincial secretary-registrars are provided annually with the revised list. The recent publication by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics of information concerning hospitals includes certain statistics relating to schools of nursing. Copies of the revised list of approved schools (1936) were sent to the Dominion Statistician and to the Director-General of Medical Services for the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps.

National Office

Each issue of *The Canadian Nurse*, the official organ of the Association, contains one or more pages under the caption "Notes from the National Office." These Notes are the official channel by which the individual member may keep herself informed of the plans, progress and objectives of the national organization. Correspondence continues to increase in volume and in the variety of subjects concerned.

Every available opportunity has been used for the purpose of placing the records of the Association in permanent order. This work has included the indexing of the minutes of General and Executive Meetings from 1922 to 1934; these records are now permanently bound in three volumes. Other records checked and indexed were those belonging to the Public Health Section 1920-1932; the National Memorial Committee 1921-1927; the Arrangements Committee of the I.C.N. Congress 1929, and the National Joint Study Committee 1927-1934. Each piece of material must be scrutinized carefully to determine its permanent value or to decide if it can be destroyed.

In the previous two-year period the records, from the time of organization to 1922, received attention. As national activities develop and extend, consideration will have to be given to acquiring more space at headquarters. Since first opened, the National Office has functioned in small space with minimum equipment. The situation does not demand immediate adjustment but the reference is now made so that the Association may be aware of the present situation and of what will be required in the future.

Your Executive Secretary wishes to express on behalf of herself and her assistant, appreciation for the many evidences of goodwill toward themselves as the Canadian Nurses Association staff at the National Office. The officers and councillors of the Executive Committee, the conveners of standing and special committees, the chairmen of the national sections and the presidents and secretaries of the Provincial Associations are thanked for the support and co-operation which make it a pleasure to act in a secretarial position for the National Association.

Respectfully submitted,
JEAN S. WILSON, Reg. N.,
Executive Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE FOR ENROLMENT

In presenting this biennial report I am quoting from the report presented to the Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross Society by the secretary of the National Joint Committee for Enrolment of Nurses for Emergency Service:

"It is gratifying to be able to report that there was a further gain in the number of enrolled nurses during the last twelve months. The gain was not as great as in 1934 when there was an increase of 28 per cent. Last year the increase was just under 22 per cent. In the following table there is shown the quota for each province, the number of nurses enrolled in 1934, the number enrolled at the end of 1935 and the percentage gained. In no province was there a reduction of the enrolment.

Province	Quota	Increase	%
British Columbia	525	207-224	8.0
Alberta	170	83- 90	8.5
Saskatchewan	270	134-151	13.0
Manitoba	110	76-107	41.0
Ontario	725	293-325	11.0
Quebec	840	198-283	43.0
New Brunswick	125	79-124	57.0
Nova Scotia	175	70- 73	4.0
Prince Edward Island.	60	22- 50	123.0
Enrolments out of Canada decreased from.		45- 43	
	3000	1207-1470	21.8

It will be noted that only in three provinces is there any approximation to a complete quota enrolment. New Brunswick heads the list with the full number of enrolled nurses and Manitoba is a close second, with Prince Edward Island a good third. Saskatchewan and Alberta follow with a little over half of their quotas, Ontario 45 per cent, British Columbia 43 per cent, Nova Scotia 43 per cent, and Quebec just about one-third.

The total enrolment is just under half of the maximum establishment of 3,000 nurses for the Dominion and it represents about 15 per cent of the registered nurses, a gain of five per cent over last year.

As was agreed by this committee last year, a card acknowledging a nurse's enrolment was prepared and is now in general use throughout the Dominion. The circular letter which the Committee agreed should be addressed to superintendents of schools of nursing, asking their co-operation for the enrolment, was sent to them about the middle of May. No information is as yet available to indicate whether or not it has produced any appreciable results.

The secretary of the National Joint Committee had the opportunity of attending a meeting of the Provincial Joint Committee in British Columbia. That committee has given much thought and study to the problem of enrolment and is admirably organized. The discussion at the meeting brought out three points of value. The committee has devised a system of filing a copy of the individual record cards by zones so that should an emergency arise in any particular part of the province, the names and addresses of the enrolled nurses in the neighbourhood can be found instantly. The Provincial Nurses Association in British Columbia obtains a confidential report upon nurses applying for enrolment and are thus able to classify the applicants very

effectively. It was also recommended that a "reminder slip" should be prepared to be included with correspondence going out from the registrar of the Provincial Nurses Association each year. This recommendation has been acted upon and the slips have, on request, been distributed to nearly all the provinces.

In the reports received from several of the Provincial Joint Committees it is stated that there seems to be very little interest in the enrolment and that this is particularly the case among the younger nurses. In this connection the secretary of the Quebec Joint Committee says she greatly regrets the apparent lack of interest caused by the one-sided pacifism of modern youth. She also says that many of the nurses do not approve of the enrolment and others have feared to bind themselves.

The secretary of the Prince Edward Island Committee says that the Ethiopian war seems to have made the nurses fear that they might be entangling themselves by enrolling and that they do not appear to be interested.

The Nova Scotia Joint Committee suggests that the National Joint Committee should secure or recommend speakers for the meetings of all the Provincial Nurses Associations and for the meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association this year, that it should send letters to all Alumnae Associations and branches of Provincial Nurses Associations, that it should suggest subjects for lectures and demonstrations which might be given to all the enrolled nurses in each province and that a section of *The Canadian Nurse* be devoted to the enrolment.

On the whole it would appear from the reports of the Provincial Joint Committees that the Provincial Associations of Registered Nurses are continuing to take an active interest in the undertaking and are making greater efforts to obtain enrolments. The increase in the enrolment during 1935 indicates that it is gradually gaining in favour."

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY E. HAMILTON, Convener.

REPORT OF SNIVELY MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

At the biennial meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association held in Toronto, June, 1934, the following resolutions were passed:

That the recommendations of the Mary Agnes Snively Memorial Committee be approved whereby the memorial to Miss Snively will be three medals presented at each biennial meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association, to nurses whose work exemplifies Miss Snively's ideals of nursing and service: there should be an impressive ceremony in connection with the presentation which should include a review of Miss Snively's life.

That two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) of the Association's assets be designated for the provision of the memorial to Miss Snively.

Following this charge, the committee selected a design for the medal which was submitted to a meeting of the Executive Committee and approved. The committee recommended the following regulations which were also approved by the Executive Committee:

It is requested that the medal be worn at general meetings and social functions of the International Council of Nurses, the Canadian Nurses Association and at similar professional meetings in other countries.

It may be worn at general meetings and social functions of the Provincial Registered Nurses Associations.

The committee further recommended to the Executive Committee of the Canadian Nurses Association that a suitable place on the programme for the next biennial meeting be reserved for the ceremony of presentation of medals, and offered to co-operate with the convener of the programme committee in making the necessary arrangements. The committee recommended that the ceremony should take place at the open general meeting usually held the first evening of the biennial meeting.

At the request of the Executive Committee, this committee accepted the responsibility of making nominations for the 1936 awards. The convener wrote to the president of each of the Provincial Associations asking for one nomination from each province. These nominations were submitted to the Executive Committee, and the following were chosen: Miss Jean I. Gunn, Miss E MacPherson Dickson, Miss Mabel F. Hersey.

As convener of the committee, and as a pupil and friend of Miss Snively's, I venture to take this opportunity of expressing great satisfaction and pleasure in the choice that was made by the Executive Committee of the Association for the first Mary Agnes Snively Medals that have been bestowed.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JEAN E. BROWNE, Convener.

REPORT OF EXCHANGE OF NURSES COMMITTEE

The report which I have the honour to present is for the period since the last biennial meeting, 1934-36.

It might be well to review briefly the work of the committee since its inception six years ago. As the exchange of nurses was an entirely new venture, the committee began its work with extreme caution. After drawing up certain necessary regulations, it approached the nursing organizations in English-speaking countries which were affiliated with the International Council of Nurses. The College of Nursing, England, at once replied that, although they could not send English nurses to Canada on the basis of a real exchange of positions, they would gladly arrange periods of observation for a limited number of Canadian nurses, and would be pleased to avail themselves of the opportunity of sending their nurses to Canada on a reciprocal basis.

So the experiment began. Two nurses from Montreal were the first to ask for arrangements to be made for them in England. Each of them stayed approximately six months. They were both so enthusiastic over the experience gained, the hospitality extended to them, and the courtesy shown them at every turn, that the committee felt the experiment had got off to a very good start. Since then, four other Canadian nurses have had courses arranged for them by the College of Nursing in the British Isles. Only one of this number asked for experience in public health nursing. The others observed methods in teaching and hospital administration.

One English public health nurse, Miss Dorothy Wood, came to Canada for a period of six months; she was sent on a scholarship by the Halifax (Yorkshire) branch of the College of Nursing. Miss Taylor and Miss Holland, both of Guy's Hospital, London, spent approximately two months in Canada, and the rest of their three months' period of observation in the United States. Arrangements were made for Miss Ida Heany of the London Hospital for a short period in Toronto and Montreal Hospitals.

In addition to these four English nurses, the Exchange Committee, through the special co-operation of Miss Beatrice Austin, superintendent of nurses of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, arranged a course of approximately eight months in children's work for a French nurse recommended by Mlle. Chaptal, past president of the International Council of Nurses. Last summer, Miss Sigridur Bachmann, a Red Cross nurse from Iceland, and Miss T. M. Rees, Matron-in-chief of the Southern Rhodesia Nursing Service, visited Canada and had periods of observation arranged for them by the committee.

About two years ago, the South African Trained Nurses Association opened up negotiations with the committee for real exchanges for three of their nurses occupying staff positions in hospitals, with three staff nurses in Canada for the period of one year. This was in reply to a proposal of exchange made by your committee to South Africa five years ago. The result of these negotiations is that Miss Margarita Reed of the University of Alberta Hospital, Edmonton, is now a staff nurse in the Port Elizabeth Hospital, South Africa, and Miss Jennie Wareham and Miss Clara Hiscock of the Montreal General Hospital are on the staffs of the Wynberg and Somerset Hospitals, Capetown, respectively. Miss Jacoba Lansdorp of Port Elizabeth is filling Miss Reed's position in Edmonton, and Miss Leonora Earp and Miss Cicely Nixon of Capetown are on the staff of the Montreal General Hospital.

In addition to these exchanges with South Africa, another type of co-operation is about to be put into practice. Miss Grace Fairley, superintendent of nurses of the Vancouver General Hospital, has offered to take a nurse from South Africa on her staff for a period of one year. Arrangements had been completed for Miss A. C. Holtman of the staff of the Queen Victoria Hospital, Johannesburg, to come to Vancouver, but her illness prevented her from coming. Recent word from South Africa is to the effect that steps are being taken to review the qualifications of the other applicants who wished to take advantage of this offer, and it is expected that a nurse will shortly be selected. Each nurse receives her salary from her own hospital board, so that the pension scheme for nurses in South Africa is in no way upset.

As you may imagine, the Exchange Committee deliberates very carefully, indeed, on the qualifications of the Canadian nurses who apply for exchange, and the selection is made on the basis of academic and professional qualifications and personality, and the same careful selection has been made by the South African Trained Nurses Association. The committee accepts no financial responsibility for the exchange nurses. The nurses must pay their own travelling expenses. Happily, Miss Holt was able, by means of a special educational fund of the Montreal General Hospital School for Nurses, to give each of the exchange nurses from her staff the sum of $200 towards their travelling expenses.

The arrangements for exchanges with South Africa have been long and laborious but it is thought that this plan, now in the experimental stage, may prove of great value to nurses in our own country and elsewhere. Also, after the experimental period is past, exchanges can no doubt be arranged more easily and quickly if it is decided to go on with them.

As convener of the committee I wish to express great appreciation of the never-failing courtesy and co-operation shown by Miss Hester Parsons, director of the education department, College of Nursing, London, and Mrs. H. C. Horwood, secretary of the South African Trained Nurses Association, with whom I have carried on a voluminous correspondence, and for the work of the members of the Exchange Committee, all of whom have extended hospitality of a special nature to the visiting nurses mentioned in the first part of this report. The personnel of the Committee is as follows: Miss Beatrice Austin, superintendent of nurses, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto; Miss Kathleen Ellis, formerly superintendent of nurses, Winnipeg General Hospital; Miss Jean I. Gunn, superintendent of nurses, Toronto General Hospital; Miss Mabel F. Hersey, superintendent of nurses, Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal; Miss M. K. Holt, superintendent of nurses, Montreal General Hospital; Miss R. E. Hamilton, superintendent, Junior Red Cross in Ontario; Miss Nora Moore, director, Department of Public Health Nursing, City Health Department, Toronto.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JEAN E. BROWNE, Convener.

REPORT OF JOINT STUDY COMMITTEE

Personnel

Chairman: Dr. G. Stewart Cameron, Peterborough, Ont.; Miss J. I. Gunn, superintendent of nurses, Toronto General Hospital; Miss E. Katherine Russell, director, School of Nursing, University of Toronto; Dr. Duncan Graham, Professor of Medicine, University of Toronto; Dr. Harvey Agnew, secretary, Department of Hospital Service, Canadian Medical Association; Miss F. H. M. Emory, assistant director, School of Nursing, University of Toronto; secretary-treasurer: Miss N. D. Fidler, Toronto.

Objectives

The National Joint Study Committee was originally organized to have a survey of nursing education in Canada made. After the publication of the Weir Report, it was decided by the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Nurses Association that the committee should continue, and that its function should be to arrange for the organization of provincial joint study committees to study the *Survey* and to make specific recommendations to their medical and nursing bodies for action, and to act as a clearing house for information regarding actual progress being made in the various provinces. The National Committee has no power to initiate action. It has at various times brought to the attention of provincial committees matters that seem to be of special urgency, such as the questionnaires sent out on economic conditions in nursing and on Dominion Registration and Licensing.

On April 3, 1935, the Executive Secretary of the Canadian Nurses Association wrote that at the meeting of the Executive held on March 23, the following resolution was passed:

> "That the Executive of the Canadian Nurses Association communicate with the secretary of the National Joint Study Committee, asking that the National Joint Study Committee broaden its scope of activity to include a study of questions of mutual interest to both the medical and nursing professions which may be referred to this committee by either Association from time to time, and further to suggest as a matter of immediate consideration, a study of the relation of nursing service to a possible plan of State Health Insurance."

We understand that a similar suggestion was approved by the Canadian Medical Association at their meeting in Atlantic City.

Methods and Accomplishments

Since last reporting to this Association, two meetings have been held. Plans for a third meeting this spring were not carried out due to the serious illness of the Chairman, Dr. G. Stewart Cameron. At these meetings, matters referred by the Canadian Nurses Association and by Provincial Joint Study Committees have been discussed, and suggestions returned to these bodies for consideration. The President of the Canadian Nurses Association last autumn also suggested a study of licensing. Up to this time we are unable to report definite accomplishments either on this or on nursing in relation to health insurance, but it is hoped that progress will be made on these important subjects in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,

N. D. FIDLER, Secretary.

News Notes

News items intended for publication in the ensuing issue must reach the Journal not later than the eighth of the preceding month. In order to ensure accuracy all contributions should be typewritten and double-spaced.

ALBERTA

CALGARY: The graduating exercises of the Calgary General Hospital were held on May 5 when thirty-two students graduated. The Reverend Melville Aitken addressed the nurses preparatory to leading them in the Nightingale pledge. Miss Phyllis Boden of Champion, Alta., was awarded the gold medal; Miss May C. McLeod, of Calgary, received the silver medal and Miss Margaret L. Shaw, of Calgary, the scholarship of $200.00. An interesting address was given by Dr. J. V. Follett, and the evening was brought to a close with a delightful dance.

CALGARY: On May 8 a reunion of the Alumnae Association of the Calgary General Hospital was held, at which the graduating class were the guests of honour. Mrs. Straker, the president, and Miss S. Macdonald, the superintendent of nurses, received the guests, who numbered over two hundred, including three members of the 1907 class. Greetings were read from Miss M. Moodie, the first graduate of the School, and other members from distant countries. Mrs. E. C. Macdonald proposed a toast to the Training School Staff, to which Miss S. Macdonald replied. The toast to the new class was made by Miss L. Bibby and replied to by Miss Isobel Auld.

LETHBRIDGE: At a recent meeting the graduate nurses of Lethbridge had as their honour-guest Miss McPhedran of Edmonton, Alberta, as well as guests from Cardston and Calgary. Many matters were discussed, especially Dominion Registration. The annual banquet was held recently when fifty nurses and guests were present, the president, Miss Bertha Ford, presiding. A pleasing feature was the presentation of a bouquet of flowers to the past president, Miss B. Clark. An entertaining address was given by Mrs. Stanley Trew. The graduation exercises of Galt Hospital took place recently, six nurses receiving diplomas and pins presented by Dr. Bryans and Miss Clarke. Dr. Cherry addressed the class, and Dr. Galbraith presented the Taylor Memorial Medal, giving a history of the life and work of the late Dr. D. A. Taylor. Miss Jean Brodie has left for a trip to England and the Continent. Miss Elizabeth Taylor has left for Chicago. Miss Mary O'Neill is visiting in Arizona.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Doris Copeland (1935) to Mr. J. C. Brooks.

MEDICINE HAT: The Medicine Hat Graduate Nurses Association recently held their annual tea. The occasion, which was very successful, was convened by Mrs. C. Pickering with the able assistance of our president, Mrs. J. Keohane. The Association also entertained the graduating class of the Medicine Hat General Hospital at an enjoyable theatre party.

MANITOBA

WINNIPEG: The members of the 1936 graduating class were guests of honour of the Alumnae Association of the Winnipeg General Hospital on June 12. Miss Isobel Stewart, O.B.E., and Miss Ethel Johns were the guest speakers. Misses T. Wiggins, I. McDiarmid, F. Rowell and P. Brownell attended the Biennial Meeting in Vancouver.

MARRIED: On June 24, 1936, Miss Margaret Whyte (W.G.H., 1934) to Mr. David P. Shepherd.

NEW BRUNSWICK

MONCTON: At the graduating exercises of the Moncton Hospital which took place recently, sixteen students received their diplomas. The prize given by the local Chapter, R.N.A.N.B., for the highest average was won by Miss Elsie Angus and presented by Miss N. Good. Miss Georgie Hayes, of Sussex, has left to take a postgraduate course in surgery at the Birmingham United Hospital, Birmingham, England.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Mary Wilbur to Mr. Harold MaGee.

ST. STEPHEN: At the annual meeting of the Chipman Memorial Hospital Alumnae Association all officers were re-elected. The meeting of the local Chapter, R.N.A.N.B., was well attended by the private duty nurses. Miss Grace A. K. Moffat, superintendent, Chipman Memorial Hospital, attended the Biennial Meeting in Vancouver. Miss Bessie I. Moffat, who has gone to Cleveland, Ohio, to take a course in anaesthesia, was the recipient of a gift from the nurses. Miss Stella M. Murphy, who was taken an extensive course in psychiatry at Whitby, Ont., has returned to Saint John as night supervisor at the Provincial Hospital.

MARRIED: On June 14, 1936, Mrs. Edith H. Boyd to Mr. Harry H. Barbour.

ONTARIO

DISTRICT 1

CHATHAM: The graduating exercises of the Chatham General Hospital were held on June 9 when eight nurses received medals and diplo-

mas, presented by Mrs. L. A. Glenn, president of the Ladies' Assisting Society. Mr. H. E. Grosch, K.C., chairman of the Hospital Board, presided. Addresses were given by the Reverend A. W. Shepherd and Dr. F. W. Hall, M.B., who represented the Medical Association. The student nurses' choir provided the music. During the ceremony the graduates were presented with one year's membership in the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario, and one year's subscription to *The Canadian Nurse*, as a gift from the Hospital Board. Afterwards a reception was held and refreshments served on the lawn which was beautifully decorated with multi-coloured lights. Preceding the graduation a delightful theatre party was given by the superintendent, Miss Priscilla Campbell. The student nurses and the graduating class attended service at the First Presbyterian Church, at which Miss Alma Jennings rendered a beautiful solo. Rev. M. Scott Fulton, D.D., gave a very appropriate address. Five nurses from St. Joseph's Hospital and three from the Public General Hospital attended the meeting of District 1 held at Strathroy.

CHATHAM: On June 4, 1936, a reunion of the Alumnae Association of the School of Nursing of St. Joseph's Hospital was held. Among those present were members who have graduated since its organization in 1896. Addresses were given by Mother Mary, the Reverend Father Gregory Blonde of Windsor, Mrs. Iona Salmon, the president, and Mrs. G. Durocher. Miss Lillian Richardson and Miss Jean Lundy were presented with honorary memberships in recognition of their long and faithful service in the Association. A delightful tea, presided over by Mrs. F. Wallace (class 1901) and Mrs. A. Hogan (class 1904), was served, and the student nurses' choir contributed several musical numbers. During the evening nine graduates received their diplomas and were later entertained at a dance given by the Association.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Catherine Tracey (St.J.H., 1935) to Mr. Raymond Meyers.

LONDON: A meeting of District 1, R.N.A.O., was held at Strathroy on June 6, when a large increase in membership was reported. Miss M. Hoy, of Windsor, chairman, presided. The fall meeting is to be held at Petrolia. Miss M. Baker gave a report on private duty nursing and stated that employment had increased by fifty per cent since the eight-hour plan has been in force. Reports were given by the conveners of the following committees: *Nursing education*, Miss E. Hazelwood; *public health*, Miss M. Chambers, of Windsor; *membership*, Miss G. Versey; *permanent education fund*, Mrs. Hedley Smith, and *publications*, Miss Nellie Williams. Two interesting papers were given by Dr. N. D. Fletcher, of Strathroy, and Dr. George Robinson, of Arkona. The invocation was given by Reverend S. H. Brownlee and the guests were welcomed by Mayor H. Stotham and Dr. T. R. Bateson. About seventy-five nurses attended the meeting, after which they were entertained at a delightful luncheon and tea. Miss Bessie Bell, a graduate of the Ontario Hospital School of Nursing, London, has accepted a position at the Nassau General Hospital, New York.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Gwendoline A. Shields to Mr. James H. Macfie.

MARRIED: On June 15, 1936, Miss Cecelia L. May to Mr. John F. Schram.

MARRIED: On June 20, 1936, Miss Marion L. Read to Dr. Wm. J. Stoneman.

DISTRICTS 2 AND 3

BRANTFORD: The June meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Brantford General Hospital took place recently. The Rev. M. C. Johnson, who was guest speaker, gave an interesting address on "Minds in Uniform." The following officers were elected for the coming year: Hon. president, Miss E. M. McKee; president, Miss H. Muir; vice-president, Miss N. Yardley; secretary, Miss E. Read; assistant secretary, Miss M. Hollister; treasurer, Miss A. Goodwin; *committee conveners*: *social*, Mrs. Drury; *assistant social*, Miss D. Linscott; *flower*, Misses R. Cleaves, R. Patterson, M. Pierce; *gift*, Mrs. J. Davidson, Miss M. Paterson; *representatives to Local Council of Women*, Miss J. M. Wilson; to *The Canadian Nurse* and *press*, Miss E. M. Horn.

BRANTFORD: The members of the Brantford branch of the Red Cross Society were recently entertained at a picnic by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Mott. The Misses J. Scott and A. Hamilton (class 1935) and Miss E. Laird (class 1934) have accepted positions at the Parry Sound General Hospital, and Mrs. K. Caton (class 1914) is in charge of the Kiwanis camp at Port Dover for the summer. Miss Hilda Westbrook, Miss J. M. Wilson and Miss G. V. Westbrook attended the Biennial Meeting in Vancouver. Dr. and Mrs. W. D. Wiley have left on a motor trip to Tacoma, Washington. Mrs. J. N. Mitchell, of the V.O.N., is spending her vacation at Gull Lake, Muskoka. The Florence Nightingale Association held their June meeting in the form of a picnic at the Brant Sanatorium. Miss K. Bowen, superintendent, was a very delightful hostess.

KITCHENER: The graduating exercises of the Kitchener-Waterloo General Hospital took place on June 6. The following ten nurses graduated: Misses A. Kummer, B. Gordon,

I. Blevins, A. Cunningham, E. Ellacott, V. Eveleigh, A. Lambert, Pirie, H. Scoble, M. Wilkinson. The scholarship for general proficiency was won by Miss Blevins; for obstetrical technique, by Miss Eveleigh; surgical technique, by Miss Wilkinson. The address was given by the Hon. J. A. Faulkner, Minister of Health for Ontario, and the Florence Nightingale pledge taken by the Reverend E. Hinds. The pins were presented by Mrs. M. Kaufman and the diplomas by Dr. W. Geiger. Following the exercises a reception was held by the Kitchener-Waterloo Ladies' Auxiliaries. Preceding graduation many delightful dinners were given in their honour.

OWEN SOUND: The Owen Sound Nurses Alumnae Association recently held a meeting at which Districts 2 and 3, R.N.A.O., were entertained, over forty guests attending. Miss H. L. Potts, chairman, presided, and Dr. A. L. Danard gave a very instructive address. The fall meeting will be held at the Guelph General Hospital.

DISTRICT 4

HAMILTON: The quarterly meeting of District 4, R.N.A.O., was held on June 13 at St. Catharines General Hospital, when about seventy-five nurses attended from Hamilton, Welland, Niagara Falls and St. Catharines, with Miss Brewster presiding. Interesting reports from the annual provincial meeting were presented by Miss Wright, of St. Catharines, and Miss Gayfer, of Hamilton. An amendment to District By-law 111 was carried to permit addition of the office of vice-chairman to executive. An interesting address on "Nursing in China" was given by Mrs. Radcliffe of St. Catharines. The next meeting of the R.N.A.O. will be held on October 3, in Niagara Falls. Miss Shepherd, who has been in charge of "C" wing of the Hamilton General Hospital, has resigned and has left for a trip abroad. Miss J. Sherriffs has also gone abroad. The following nurses attended the Biennial Meeting at Vancouver: Miss Brewster, Miss Scheifele, Miss J. Murray and Miss Sheriden.

HAMILTON: A well-attended meeting of the public health nurses of District 4 was held on April 2, Miss Ford presiding. It was moved and carried that the minutes of the annual meeting be postponed. Miss Ford introduced Dr. Deadman, the guest speaker, who gave an instructive address on "Cancer." Miss Helen Aitken moved a vote of thanks.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL: Twenty-five members of the 1936 graduating class were guests of honour of the Alumnae Association at a dance and bridge held on May 19. Misses I. Murray, A. Maloney and E. Melody received the guests. Mrs. Lawrence Glassco (Ada Egan), Misses Edythe Leitch and Teresa McAgy are visiting in town.

MARRIED: On June 15, 1936, Miss Myrtle Leitch (St.J.H.) to Dr. Wm. P. Downes.

MARRIED: On March 3, 1936, Miss Rose Horn (St.J.H.) to Mr. Wilfred Hobson.

DISTRICT 5

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH: A suggestion that closer contact be made with the medical officers of health of the districts by the officers of the Public Health Section, R.N.A.O., met with splendid results by the York County Public Health Nurses Association. To mark the closing of activities for the season a delightful dinner was held to which the medical health officers, the Deputy Minister and Chief Medical Officer for the province and their wives were invited. The speaker was Dr. C. E. Hill, president of the Ontario Health Officers' Association and Medical Officer of Health for the township of North York, with Dr. C. A. Warren of York Township as master of ceremonies. Miss E. Blainey, East York Township, was convener of the arrangements committee.

Miss H. Dennis, a graduate of the Guelph General Hospital, who completed a course in public health nursing at the University of Western Ontario, was recently appointed public health nurse in Haileybury. Miss Jean Watt, a graduate of the Victoria Hospital, London, and of the public health course at the University of Toronto, has joined the public health nursing staff in York Township. Miss Marie Johnston, who has resigned her position as senior public health nurse in Oshawa, is succeeded by Miss Jean Fox. Miss Jean E. Russell, graduate of the four-year course, University of Toronto and Toronto General Hospital, has been appointed to the staff.

TORONTO GENERAL HOSPITAL: Miss Sadie Williams, who has been awarded the alumni scholarship for postgraduate study in nursing, will spend a year at Bedford College, England. Miss Kathryn Graham (T.G.H., 1934), who has completed a course at the School of Nursing, University of Toronto, has been appointed assistant head nurse on the second floor of the Dunlop Building. The student nurses recently held their garden party in aid of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Fund. Much enthusiasm was shown by all who attended.

TORONTO WESTERN HOSPITAL: Miss Jean Phimister (T.W.H., 1930) has accepted the position of superintendent of Hillsview Farm Sanitarium, Washington, Pa. Miss Sally McCallum (T.W.H., 1934) was awarded the H. A. Beatty Scholarship for a postgraduate course in teaching and administration, which she will take at the University of British Columbia.

MARRIED: In May, 1936, Miss Nellie Allibon (T.W.H., 1928) to Mr. Joseph Rouse.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Janet Macdonald (T.W.H., 1931) to Dr. Fred Stewart Mills.

MARRIED: On May 25, 1936, Miss Margaret Webb (T.W.H., 1932) to Mr. Charles Barnum.

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL, TORONTO: At the June meeting of the Alumnae Association, Miss Ethel Greenwood, convener of the Permanent Education Fund, District 5, addressed the members on the establishment, progress and future plans for administration of the fund. The group had subscribed $25.00 in 1934 and at the close of the meeting gave a cheque for $25.00 towards the deficit still carried by the district. Refreshments were served.

ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL: A meeting of the Catholic registered nurses was held on June 15, for the purpose of organizing a Catholic Nurses' Guild in the archdiocese of Toronto. The aims of this organization will include the spiritual welfare of the nurses and the advancement of nurse education. A provisional executive was elected and plans are under way for a permanent organization. From a group of appointees from the alumnae associations of St. Michael's and St. Joseph's Hospitals and graduates of other schools of nursing engaged in various branches of nursing in Toronto, the following executive was chosen: President, Miss A. Riordan, instructor of nurses, St. Joseph's Hospital; first vice-president, Miss M. McCarthy, ward supervisor, St. Joseph's Hospital; second vice-president, Miss C. Vale, staff, Department of Health, Toronto; recording secretary; Miss B. Quilty, St. Michael's Hospital (private duty); corresponding sec-

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ST. MICHAEL'S HOSPITAL: The graduating exercises of the St. Michael's Hosptial were held recently, when fifty-two nurses graduated. Mr. D. J. McDougald presented the diplomas and medals, and addresses were given by the Reverend J. C. McGuigan and the Rev. E. J. McCorkell. Later the graduates were the guests of honour at a delightful dinner and dance. Reverend Sister St. Albert, instructress of nurses at St. Michael's Hospital, attended the convention of the Catholic Hospital Association of U.S. and Canada, held in Baltimore recently. Reverend Sister Jeanne, superintendent of nurses at St. Michael's Hospital, and Reverend Sister Evangelista were the delegates for St. Michael's Hospital at the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association held in Vancouver.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Bess O'Connor (St.M.H.) to Mr. Bert Denaney.

MARRIED: In June, 1936, Miss Noreen Boyce (St.M.H.) to Mr. C. Jones.

MARRIED: In June, 1936, Miss Evelyne Valiquette (St.M.H.) to Mr. H. J. Coulson.

MARRIED: In June, 1936, Miss Mary Kirby (St.M.H.) to Mr. E. O'Connor.

WESTON: On June 11, 1936, a reunion dinner of the Alumnae Association of the Connaught Training School for Nurses was held. Miss E. MacP. Dickson, former superintendent, and Miss M. Wilkinson, present superintendent, welcomed the guests. Toasts were given to the King, the founder of the School, absent members and the medical staff, after which a very enjoyable evening was brought to a close.

DISTRICT 6

BELLEVILLE: The final meeting of the year of Chapter A, District 6, was held on June 19, with a good attendance. The guest speaker was Mr. J. O. Herity from the Chamber of Commerce, Belleville, whose interesting address on "James Whitcombe Riley's Poems" was very much enjoyed. A dainty lunch was served after which the meeting adjourned.

PETERBOROUGH: Chapter C, District 6, R.N.A.O., held a meeting on May 26 at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay, when Mrs. La-Plante, the president, presided. Dr. Logan gave an interesting address on the life of Louis Pasteur and a vote of thanks was moved by Mrs. Brackenridge.

PETERBOROUGH: A meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Nicholls Hospital was held on May 20. Dr. G. M. Fraser, who was the guest speaker, gave a very interesting lecture on Public Health. After the meeting a delightful supper was served.

DISTRICT 7

KINGSTON: Miss Dorothy French (K.G.H., 1935) is visiting relatives in London, England.

MARRIED: On June 2, 1936, Miss Mildred McCammon (K.G.H., 1930) to Mr. R. J. Pindred.

MARRIED: On June 27, 1936, Miss Clair Gossins (K.G.H., 1934) to Mr. C. Beal.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Milicent Burt (K.G.H., 1934) to Mr. Ross Lowe.

MARRIED: On July 4, 1936, Miss Velma Berney (K.G.H., 1934) to Dr. D. Matheson.

MARRIED: On June 8, 1936, Miss Marion Ross (K.G.H., 1936) to Mr. R. Fleming.

DISTRICT 8

OTTAWA CIVIC HOSPITAL: A most interesting and enjoyable evening was spent recently at the Ottawa Civic Hospital when Miss E. Frances Upton, registrar, A.R.N.P.Q., addressed the nurses. Her subject was "A plan for nursing bureaux." There were about eighty nurses present. A meeting of the public health section was held recently, when Dr. Murray Thompson, of Alexandria, Ont., spoke on "Work of the Eastern Health Unit." Twenty-five members were present. Miss Margaret Graves (O.C.H., 1933) has left for a trip abroad. Miss Gwen Gordon (O.C.H., 1932) is doing relief work at Sloane Hospital for Women, New York.

MARRIED: On June 20, 1936, Miss Myrtle Tanner (O.C.H., 1928) to Mr. Frederic Wood.

MARRIED: Recently, Miss Audrey Herron (O.C.H., 1934) to Dr. Thomas Moffat.

MARRIED: On June 27, 1936, Miss Mildred Nixon (St. Luke's Hospital, 1923) to Mr. John Harper.

OTTAWA: The graduating exercises of the Ottawa Civic Hospital School of Nursing took place on June 3, 1936, and Mr. Norman Smith, chairman of the Hospital Board, brought good wishes to the class from the Board. Dr. H. B. Moffat tendered the congratulations of the medical faculty in a humorous address. Following the recitation of the Nightingale Pledge, the twenty-seven graduates, each carrying the now traditional pink rose, received their diplomas and pins presented by Mr. Norman Smith and Miss

Bennett. The president of the graduating class presented Miss Bennett with an armful of roses. The thunderous applause which greeted this gesture showed the esteem in which Miss Bennett is held. Mr. Norman Smith introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Woodsworth, for many years a Member of the House of Commons and leader of the C.C.F. party. A delightful dance took place in the evening.

MARRIED: On May 16, 1936, Miss Eleanor Queenie Brady (O.C.H., 1934) to Mr. William S. Darling.

MARRIED: On May 25, 1936, Miss Grace I. Grady (O.C.H., 1930) to Mr. Edward C. Humphrys.

OTTAWA GENERAL HOSPITAL: Miss J. Thibeault (O.G.H., 1933) has accepted a position as assistant supervisor of the Tuberculosis Clinic in Hull, Que. Miss Willa Ahearn (O.G.H., 1925) received the degree of public health nurse at McGill University, Montreal. Miss E. Parenteau (O.G.H., 1935) received the degree of public health nurse at the Montreal University. Reverend Sister Madeline of Jesus, B.S. (chairman) Canadian Council on Nursing Education, and Reverend Sister Mary Aban, Phm.B., superintendent of nurses of the Ottawa General Hospital, attended the Biennial Meeting in Vancouver.

MARRIED: On June 27, 1936, Miss Margaret Flynn (O.G.H., 1925) to Mr. Robert Foley.

MARRIED: On June 15, 1936, Miss Marguerite Munroe (O.G.H., 1927) to Dr. Sylvester Grimes.

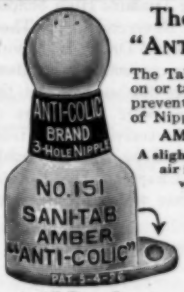
MARRIED: Recently, Miss Hilda Kearns (O.G.H., 1930) to Dr. Robert Hudson.

MARRIED: On June 20, 1936, Miss Roseline Kavanagh (O.G.H., 1934) to Mr. Elmer O'Brien.

DISTRICT 9

HAILEYBURY: At the monthly meeting of the Haileybury, New Liskeard, Cobalt Chapter, District 9, R.N.A.O., the following officers were elected: Chairman, Miss H. E. Smith; vice-chairman, Miss Mary E. Garvin; secretary-treasurer, Miss Joyce Stevens; *committee conveners: membership*, Miss Mary J. McCrea; *finance*, Miss Stevens; *publications*, Mrs. Shepherd, Cobalt; *programme*, Miss Garvin; *social*, Miss Harriet Brydne; *private duty*, Miss Sophia Knight; representative to *The Canadian Nurse*, Miss H. E. Smith.

TIMMINS: On June 14, the graduating exercises of the St. Mary's Hospital took place. The Reverend Father O'Gorman presented the diplomas and led the class in the Nightingale Pledge. Mrs. N. N. Russell presented the pins. Among the guest speakers were: Mr. W. W.



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Tanner, principal of the Timmins High School; Mayor J. J. Bartleman, Reverend O. E. Theriault, Dr. N. N. Russell and Dr. H. H. Moore. An enjoyable musical programme was given by the students. Under the auspices of the R.N.A.O. the graduates were the guests of honour at a dance, each receiving a gift from the Association, presented by Miss Woodall, vice-president of the Chapter. Dr. Robson gave a short address, after which refreshments were served.

SASKATCHEWAN

REGINA: Miss M. Main and Miss G. Fitch (R.G.H., 1934), who have completed a course at McGill University, Montreal, and Miss R. Gent (R.G.H., 1934) have been appointed to the staff of the Regina General Hospital. Mrs. A. R. Child, president of the Regina branch of the O.N.S.A., and graduate of the Regina General Hospital, left on July 16 to represent the province of Saskatchewan at the unveiling of the memorial at Vimy Ridge, France.

OVERSEAS NURSING SISTERS ASSOCIATION

OTTAWA UNIT: The Ottawa Unit of the Overseas Nursing Sisters Association of Canada spent a most enjoyable afternoon and evening recently as the guests of Miss Mabel Lindsay at her home in Wakefield. About twenty nurses were present.

WINNIPEG: The annual meeting of the Overseas Nursing Sisters Association of Canada was held on May 11. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Miss G. Billyard; vice-president, Mrs. E. W. Horton; secretary-treasurer, Miss E. Stewart; *Committee Conveners: Visiting*, Mrs. C. W. Davidson; *social*, Mrs. Hamblin; *press*, Miss I. M. Barton; *membership*, Miss Blais; *poppy and memorial*, Mrs. A. D. McLeod; *advisory committee*: Mrs. DePencier, Mrs. McDougall, Miss McGillvary. The secretary was instructed to write a letter of condolence from the Club to Mrs. T. Cavanagh (née Mary Hall), whose husband passed away on May 17. On Decoration Day, May 31, the nursing sisters were asked, as in former years, to join the members of the Amputation Association to take part in the service and parade. Wreaths were placed on the graves of the following: N/S Aikman, N/S Brightie, N/S Griffiths, Mrs. Lawrie (N/S Phyllis Peyton), Mrs. R. Scott (N/S Ursula Peyton) and N/S Crawford.

OBITUARY

ARMSTRONG—The death occurred on June 13, 1936, of Miss Martha Armstrong. She was a graduate of the Montreal General Hospital and also of the McGill School for Graduate Nurses. With Miss Armstrong's passing the Montreal Graduate Nurses Association has suffered the loss of one who was a faithful member for more than thirty years.

BALL—On June 26, 1936, the death occurred of Miss Dolce Ball, graduate of the 1934 class of the Winnipeg General Hospital.

WENGER — Recently, at South Porcupine Hospital, Miss Mary Wenger, superintendent of the Presbyterian Hospital, South Porcupine. Miss Wenger was a graduate of the Guelph General Hospital.

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